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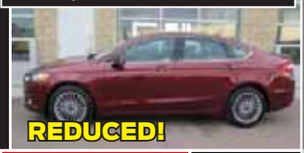

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City strikes balance on cabs, UberX

REGULATIONS

Proposal would allow taxis to set their own rates

Helen Pike
Metro | Calgary

Regulate taxis and allow unlimited city-licensed UberX drivers. After weeks of unlawful rideshare operation, this is the favoured option administration is bringing forward to the taxi and limousine advisory committee Tuesday.

The proposed option will continue to limit taxi plates while allowing Uber-like operations to go through the city for safety regulations and licensing. Taxi and limousine companies will be free to set their own rates through a city-approved app like for-hire vehicles. But flagging down a ride will remain the taxi cab's game.

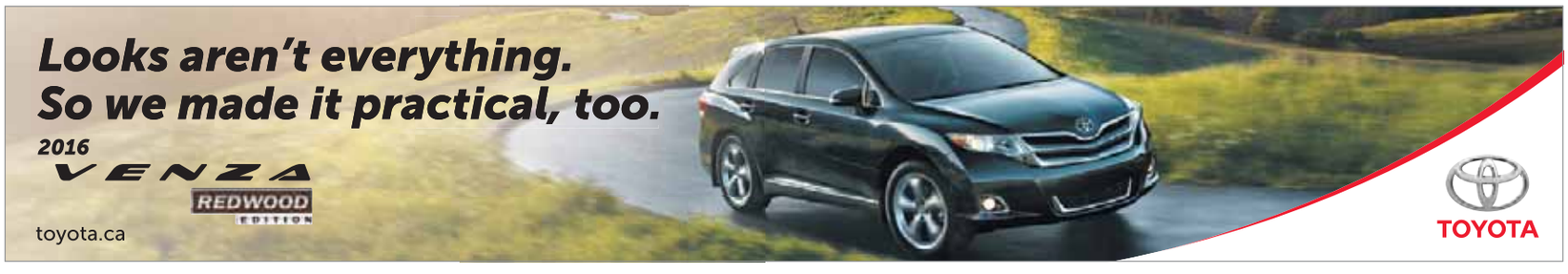
Couns. Evan Woolley and Sean Chu both think the idea strikes a good balance.

Woolley said he still thinks there's a lot of perks to being a cab driver and that the industry will just have to adapt to technological changes.

"I firmly believe that there's still a strong role for taxis within the City of Calgary in the future," said Woolley.

"Hopefully they have engaged both industries and maybe that's the consensus," said Chu, adding that the insurance issue will probably dictate how the bylaw changes move forward.

Uber was cautiously optimistic at the news. "We continue to have a productive dialogue with the City and look forward to working with staff on the details of its recommendation to embrace ride-sharing," said Ramit Kar, General Manager of Uber in Alberta.



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Exhibition pays tribute to a 'secret' Canadian artist

ART

400 original Flexhaug works make up cross-country tour

Jennifer Friesen
For Metro

From Piapot, Sask., to the Rocky Mountains, Peter White and Nancy Tousley spent four years travelling through the Prairies in search of what they affectionately call Flexies.

The idyllic landscape paintings by Levine Flexhaug (1918–1974) are similar in nature: always framed by trees, with a calm lake resting behind and mountains towering above.

At first glance, they could be mistaken for replicas — but of the thousands of Flexies across the country, no two are the same. They can be found on diner walls, inside Value Villages and — now — on the walls of a Calgary art gallery.

More than 400 Flexhaug originals are hanging inside the Illingworth Kerr Gallery at the Alberta College of Art and Design. The exhibition, titled A Sublime Vernacular: The Landscape Paintings of Levine Flexhaug, will run until Dec. 5 before continuing a cross-Canada tour.

"It's a very intrinsically interesting history and territory that we were investigating," said White, a co-curator of the project, alongside Tousley. "It's a very meaningful part of the cultural and social history of western Canada that is much too easily ignored, and that was really important to us."

Co-curators Peter White and Nancy Tousley show off their Flexhaug collection in the Illingsworth-Kerr Gallery at ACAD.
JENNIFER FRIESEN/FOR METRO

> **It's a very meaningful part of the cultural and social history of western Canada...**
> Peter White

Using oil-based house paint on beaver board, Flexhaug sped through multiple paintings at once, sometimes wrapping one up in only five minutes. He travelled through Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia, painting and selling his signature mountain scene but always tweaking the details.

"It's one thing to say he painted thousands of paintings, but it's quite another thing to walk into an exhibition that has almost 500 paintings," said Tousley.

"That's when you begin to see what that meant. I firmly believe that he was a man who loved to make paintings and that his love of making them is what speaks to us now."

It's the first museum exhibit of Flexhaug's work — and it's just one part of a bigger project about his work. Along with the collection comes a website, levineflexhaug.ca, a book and two films by Calgary filmmakers Gary Burns and Donna Brunsdale.

"He was a fabulous phenomenon," said White. "And the very fact that he's secret in a way makes it interesting to cultivate."

HEALTH

Cyclotron back in service

Alberta Health Services' (AHS) cyclotron has returned to full service after a four-week shutdown that caused many patients to re-schedule their PET Scan appointments.

A cyclotron, which is used to make a radioactive product needed for PET Scans, began safely producing the product on Friday, according to AHS.

Dozens of patients had their vital scans delayed for weeks as only urgent cases made it through. The unit is the only one in the province, and the health board had to import supplies to service the most urgent cases.

AHS has started to reschedule 65 patients who were awaiting new appointments as well as booking about 300 patients who've been waiting for their first appointments.

AHS said the scheduling of those appointments will be based on patient urgency, which will be determined by radiologists.

The health authority plans to clear the backlog in three to four weeks by allowing for additional scans each day on weekends.

AHS is thanking people for their patience with the malfunction and commends staff for working hard; 70 per cent of normal patient scan volumes were able to be completed during the shutdown by using materials sourced from other provinces.

The issues with the cyclotron only affected PET/CT imaging, while all other scans — including regular CT scans — were not affected.

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PLANNING

Council acts to limit Payday Loan shops

Brodie Thomas
For Metro | Calgary

The City of Calgary is looking at reducing clustering of payday loan offices and pawn shops in the city.

The city has found that payday loan offices and pawn shops tend to cluster together in certain districts, and that those clusters can have a negative impact on community aesthetic.

The recommendation was to have a 400-metre separation between future businesses.

The matter went before council last night, and several groups spoke in favour of the change, including representatives from the United Way and Vibrant Communities Calgary.

All spoke of how the payday lending outfits seem to have a negative impact people in low-income communities.

Mike Brown is Public policy coordinator at Momentum — a group that uses economic development to assist people in poverty.

Brown said many of the people his group helps have come to them with complaints about payday loans.

He said people are getting the loans to cover necessities, rather than emergencies.

That can lead to a cycle of debt.

"Just over one in five who go to a payday lender use it monthly," Brown said. "That leads to a payday loan debt cycle."

Councillors were largely in favour of administration's recommendations on the new regulations.

Only Coun. Jim Stevenson was opposed to the bylaw changes.

Dana Buzzee's Lore invites you to experience a shrine dedicated to bad decisions. JEREMY SIMES/FOR METRO

Buzzee taps teen spirit

INSTALLATION

Calgary artist creates dwelling space for youth angst

Jeremy Simes
For Metro | Calgary

It was an opportunity Dana Buzzee couldn't turn down: create a sanctuary for young outcasts that mirrors her past.

Titled Lore, Buzzee's work is part of a new installation in the Light Box Studio at Arts Commons. Lore also works in conjunction with Alberta Theatre Project's The Circle, a play that largely deals with youth angst and dangerous decision making.

Buzzee, 30, said she knows much about so-called poor decisions — partying, smoking, etcetera — she made when she was a teen.

But when she looks back at the choices she made, she somewhat realizes why she made them but doesn't plan to repeat them.

"I'm not saying that life is wonderful," she said. "It is what it is."

She said most of her work subtly plays on the "glory days." But with Lore, she can make the concept front and centre.

Inside the space, blackened beer cans and bottles are skillfully set about and, soon, crystal-filled ashtrays and spiderweb-like knits become an addition.

"It was hard to go with beer bottles and cans cause it could go so wrong and look so cheesy and stupid, and it's a bit obvious in a few ways," she said. "But I'm hoping when all the elements are there, there will be a cohesive read of the space."

And if people find the space stupid, all the best to 'em, she added.

"Being able to make something aesthetically immature — something that would be in my bedroom 15 years ago — is fun in itself," she said. "There isn't this seriousness, but that's what it's all about: it's very bizarre but nice."

IF YOU GO

When to catch Lore

Lore will be up until Nov. 29, and an artist reception will be at Happenings No. 2 in Upper Centre Court at Arts Commons on Nov. 19.

JEREMY SIMES/METRO

Canada's new infrastructure minister, former Edmonton city councillor Amarjeet Sohi, left, gets along swimmingly with Alberta's infrastructure minister, Brian Mason. THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

Friendly ministers ready to do business

POLITICS

Alberta infrastructure head high on counterpart

Alberta's infrastructure minister is singing the praises of his new federal counterpart — former Edmonton city councillor Amarjeet Sohi.

The federal Liberals promised during the election campaign to boost infrastructure spending by almost $17 billion over the next four years. The effort would be financed through three years of deficits.

The majority of the new spending — $10.05 billion — is planned to happen in the next two years, with another $6.9 billion earmarked for the last two years of the Liberal mandate.

"If that platform is in fact implemented, that's very good news for infrastructure in the province of Alberta and across the country," Brian Mason, Alberta's minister of infrastructure and transportation, said Monday.

Mason said he knows Amarjeet Sohi well and the two men have a lot in common.

"We both worked for Edmonton Transit and drove buses. We both went on to serve terms on Edmonton city council and we both ended up as infrastructure ministers," Mason said at a news conference in Calgary.

> **"I think both of us are interested in transportation issues.**
> Brian Mason

"I'm very confident we're going to have a very good and positive working relationship because I think both of us are interested in transportation issues and making our cities, towns and counties work."

Mason announced the province's plans to spend $119 million to support rehabilitation and construction of roads and bridges in Alberta's smaller municipalities.

"It helps them with resource roads," he said. "As you know, there is resource traffic that can have a heavy impact on local roads so we'll help them in dealing with that."

The extra cash was welcomed by municipal officials: "Our industries rely on our transportation network to move goods to market quickly and efficiently, and Albertans everywhere depend on safe access to jobs and emergency services," said Al Kemmere, president of the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties. THE CANADIAN PRESS

COUNCIL

Secondary suites an individual debate

Brodie Thomas
Metro | Calgary

When it comes to the issue of secondary suites, some councillors are just not ready to budge — even if it means longer council meetings.

Monday's council meeting had 18 land use matters to be discussed — four of which were secondary suites.

Coun. Gian-Carlo Carra said listening to details about people's aging parents wanting to move in is a waste of council's time.

"I think it's a private property right, I think it's good for the community, and I think its good for individuals," said Carra. "Every suite creates two affordable homes. The fact that council deliberates on every single re-designation — I think it's incredibly inefficient."

Carra has all but given up on substantial change for this council.

"I've been hammering away at this issue for five years and I can't rightfully say I understand the opposition," he said.

But across the table, Councillor Sean Chu is ready to listen to the applications as they come.

Chu sees it more as an issue of supply and demand. He notes that large sections of the city now allow for secondary suites, and he thinks those should be utilized before opening up other parts of the city to suites.

He said he represents many citizens who feel strongly about not having secondary suites in their neighbourhood.

"People bought into a certain area for a reason," said Chu. "People always say the same thing. 'I bought into a R1 area. I don't want R-2.' It's almost like a moral contract, and as a city we change the goalposts all the time."

Coun. Sean Chu is standing firm on the issue of secondary suites. He said the city has a moral contract to uphold the zoning. METRO FILE

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The University of Calgary is proposing some residential rental hikes. JENNIFER FRIESEN/ FOR METRO

Residential fee hike proposed

EDUCATION

SU sounds alarm over University of Calgary plan

Helen Pike
Metro | Calgary

Some students are sounding alarms, while others aren't too fazed by the University of Calgary's proposed residential fee hikes set for approval in December.

Last week, new fees were put before students in a late-night Residential Students' Association (RSA) meeting. Proposed hikes vary depending on the residential building but range from .25 to 5.75 per cent.

There's still a few hurdles before the increase takes effect. On Monday the proposal was presented to the Tuition Fee Consultation Committee. It still has to go through the finance and property committee before getting to the board of governors for final approval.

Last year the school planned on raising fees by up to 8 per cent in some buildings, a move that drew the ire of students. Now, with the tough economic times in Calgary, some student advocates are wondering why the school is proposing another steep increase for already struggling students.

"It's a big deal because it's above the consumer price index," said Romy Garrido, vice president external for the SU. "They do this quite a bit; it's not every-so-often, it's almost every year.

She said with an additional five per cent, some buildings are looking at a 10 per cent rent hike in two years.

"It's really concerning for us, especially because 97 per cent of their revenue is based upon student fees, and students' wages aren't growing by five per cent every year, so we think it's completely unfair and it's limiting access," said Garrido.

Shaane Nathu, president of the RSA, said fees go up nearly every year to keep up with inflation and are going towards valuable investments for students. He's not surprised the fees continue to rise, especially considering the school's new additions, like Aurora Hall and Crowsnest Hall.

"Compared to last year the rates have been pretty fair," said Nathu. "Obviously nobody likes fee increases … fees do go up, our number one job as a student advocacy group is to make sure that people know why they're going up."

He said any concerns brought forward to the RSA will be represented and brought to administration. But added the group plans to cooperate with the university.

Cost rising to clear homeless camps

COMMUNITY

Tensions rise amid accusations of petty theft

Helen Pike
Metro | Calgary

A city group that's responsible for cleaning up and clearing out illegal encampments in Calgary is having trouble this year, dealing with increased complaints and high cleanup costs.

After a September meeting with Ward 9 communities affected by a rise in petty crime — now escalating to violent crime — Coun. Gian-Carlo Carra doesn't think his constituents have the confidence the city can keep up with rising costs of illegal encampments they believe are behind the rise in thefts.

Carra has heard several concerns over homeless encampments in his ward, and his constituents have linked a rising crime rate to the transient populations along the Bow River.

Last week, after an incident where Inglewood residents entered an encampment in search of personal items, police and the Ward 9 councillor asked residents to keep out of the woods and steer clear of the illegal tent towns.

Carra is asking the city to review funding to their current Partner Agency Liaison (PAL) team, the team responsible for dealing with illegal encampments, so they can outline any issues in moving forward and adequately dealing with the rise in encampments.

Ward 9 Coun. Gian-Carlo Carra has been hearing concerns. METRO FILE PHOTO

"These encampments have always been there, especially during warm years and late into the fall," Carra said during a Monday council meeting. "They've become increasingly sources of social disorder and criminal activity."

According to the city, the PAL team is struggling after a rise in complaints this year.

Last year the group had around 511 service requests from 3-1-1, this year the number is at 800 and climbing. Each time the group has to break up one of these homeless encampments it can cost around $5,000 to clean up.

> **"(Illegal encampments) have become increasingly sources of social disorder and criminal activity.**
> Coun. Gian-Carlo Carra

The city will be bringing plans back to councilors affected by the issue in early 2016 to update them on the PAL situation.

The city as a whole has been experiencing a steady rise in petty crime police have linked to drug use – such as fentanyl. In Inglewood, residents have been tracking suspicious behaviour online and reporting encampments like the one they entered a few weeks ago to retrieve a stroller and other items taken from yards, garages and homes.

CRIME

Drive-by shooting under investigation

Calgary police are investigating a Sunday night drive-by shooting.

The Calgary Police Service Guns and Gangs Unit believe that a white minivan and a black truck chased the victims from the community of North Heights in a circular route through north Calgary. The two victims were driving a pick up truck.

In Thorncliffe, shots were fired at the victims. Bullets also struck a parked and empty Jeep Cherokee.

At about 7:15 p.m., the two victims arrived at the Calgary Police Service Traffic Office in northeast Calgary to report they had been shot at while driving.

Police say both victims were uninjured.

Investigators believe this was a targeted attack by a group known to the victims — and that it was part of an ongoing dispute. Police still do not know if the shooting is connected to other recent shootings in the city.

Police said they are dedicating as many resources as possible to intervene, suppress and respond to violent incidents in the city. A number of operations are currently underway to identify the people believe to be involved and to gather the evidence necessary to lay charges.

Anyone with information about this incident, or any other incident currently under investigation by the Guns and Gangs Unit, is asked to call the non-emergency number 403-266-1234.

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COURT

Judge's ruling under review over sexist remark

A council is reviewing the remarks of a Federal Court justice who asked a sexual assault victim why she couldn't keep her knees together.

The Canadian Judicial Council says it will review a decision made by Robin Camp when he was a provincial court judge in Alberta.

In June 2014, Camp acquitted a man of sexual assault against a 19-year-old girl after deciding that the accused man's version of the events was more credible.

Camp's verdict was overturned on appeal.

But two law professors launched a complaint against Camp's remarks during the trial, saying they showed the judge held opinions long discredited in Canadian law.

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Airdrie raises girls' spirits — and funds

GOOD WORKS

Community raises $32,545 to help in care

Aaron Chatha
Metro | Calgary

Kadence and Addison have been diagnosed with a rare neuromuscular disease that will take away their ability to walk and play. COURTESY AMANDA BALINT

Sisters Kadence and Addison, 11 and 8, have both been diagnosed Friedreich's Ataxia, a rare disorder that will slowly take away their ability to run, walk and play without a wheelchair — but thanks to an outpouring of support, they'll get to make a few dreams come true.

The HairBenders Salon in Airdrie held a fundraiser for the girls and their mother and raised $32,545.

"We're blown away by the support," said the girls' aunt Amanda Balint. "The girls feel like celebrities! Hairbenders, and the community in Airdrie went out of their way to put smiles on their faces during such a difficult time. It has given the girls a lift to their spirits and helps provide them with the courage to face this disease."

Balint said the money will help their mom take time off work for doctors appointments, tests and therapy sessions, as well as upgrading their home to make it more accessible.

Friedreich's Ataxia is very rare (one-in-50,000 odds), and the chances of having two children both diagnosed with the disorder are even more remote. There is no cure.

"Maintaining an active lifestyle is the only thing that can be done to aid in slowing the progression," said Balint, saying the girl's can now join different programs, including a para-equestrian club, as both have dreamed of riding horses.

For more information, or to donate to the girls' GoFundMe campaign, visit ampossible.org.

CALGARY TRANSIT

Vets travel free for Remembrance Day

Helen Pike
Metro | Calgary

This Remembrance Day, for the first time ever, Calgary Transit will be free for both veterans and their families after a last-minute request from a city councillor.

During Monday's stacked council meeting, Coun. Sean Chu added a new and time-sensitive item to the pile. A motion that would make Calgary Transit free on Remembrance Day as a token of appreciation for their service.

"Our military personnel, before and current, they have unselfishly and courageously made many sacrifices on our behalf," Chu said before council. "That's why we live the way we do today."

Chu said the idea came from Twitter, and he thought it was a good one and worth council consideration. He also noted that Halifax has gone a similar route.

Councillors voted unanimously in favour of the idea Monday afternoon, with support of administration. Veterans in uniform and with identification will be able to board buses and trains for free.

"This is the first step, we're going to see how it goes," said Chu, noting the motion only covers this year.

The cost associated is estimated at $15,000. Mayor Naheed Nenshi said Calgary Transit was "not fussed" about providing the free service.

"Thanks to work that Coun. Keating has done in the past, we do have a special parking program for veterans," he added.

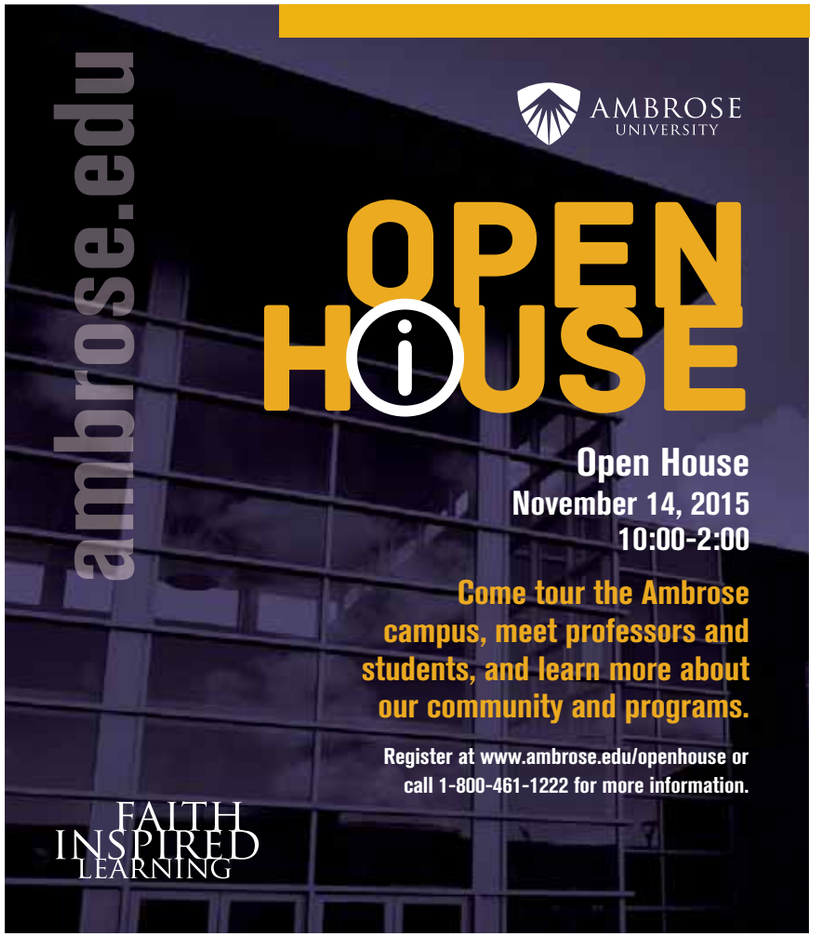
Anyone with a veteran licence plate can park for free Nov. 11 at Calgary Parking Authority sites.

Calgary Transit offers free rides on Christmas Day and has extended service hours for New Year's and during Stampede week.

This Remembrance Day, Calgary Transit will operate at a Saturday level of service.

Customers should check schedules for bus and train service.

The customer service centres will be closed as well.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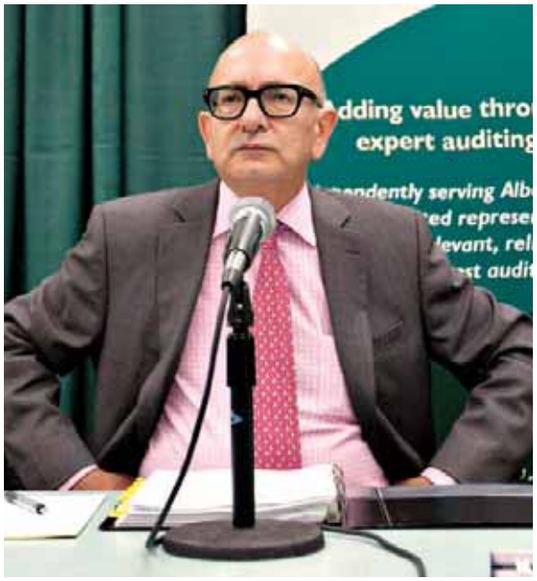

The Alberta Energy Regulator (AER) inspected resources dams after Alberta's auditor general Merwan Saher said the province was failing to properly inspect resource dams and tailings ponds. THE CANADIAN PRESS

AER: Erosion in coal mine

INVESTIGATION

No 'significant deficiencies' with other dam structures

An investigation into the structural safety of energy industry dams and ponds in Alberta has no found serious problems except at one coal mine.

The Alberta Energy Regulator says its review of 55 oilsands and 14 oil and gas structures did not identify any significant deficiencies. But its inspection of 31 coal mine structures found a significant problem at a Coal Valley Resources Inc. mine pond near Edson.

"One structure, owned by Coal Valley Resources, was found to be significantly deficient," Kirk Bailey, the regulator's executive vice-president of operations, said.

"Inspectors found erosion within the structure, which was causing a free flow of water from a partially reclaimed pit, which is a contravention of several Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act approval conditions."

The regulator said the Oct. 14, 2014, release of a substance from the pond is under investigation.

"The AER is investigating this non-compliance and will release the results of its investigation when complete."

The mine is separate from Coal Valley's Obed mine near Hinton, where about 670 million litres of waste water spilled on Oct. 31, 2013. At the time, Coal Valley operated the Obed mine as a subsidiary of Sherritt International Corp.. Last month the Alberta Crown charged the two companies with offences under Alberta's Environmental Protection Act, Public Lands Act and Water Act over the spill. The regulator ordered inspections of the structural integrity of energy industry dams last March after Alberta's auditor general said the government was failing to properly regulate the province's network of dams and tailings ponds.

> **Inspectors found erosion within the structure, which was causing a free flow of water from a partially reclaimed pit ...**
> Kirk Bailey

Auditor general Merwan Saher said most of the mines used by the coal industry had not been inspected since the 1980s or 1990s and there were no safety reviews on file for 22 of the structures.

He also said the Obed mine site in 2013 was not registered as a dam even though it met the requirements.

The regulator said that over the last six months it has inspected 100 of 111 dams and tailings ponds to ensure that they are built, operated, maintained and decommissioned safely. Of the 11 not inspected, some were just approved for construction and others are to be reviewed next year.

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NURSE PRACTITIONERS

Alberta Health moving slow on compensation

Jeremy Simes
For Metro | Calgary

Nurse practitioner (NP) advocates are miffed Alberta Health isn't moving quick enough to create a new funding model the province's NPs.

Lloyd Tapper, president of The Nurse Practitioner Association of Alberta, said he was hoping Health Minister Sarah Hoffman would announce a funding model to competitively compensate the province's NPs at the organization's annual conference Saturday. Hoffman said she won't make that announcement, adding the government has yet to determine when a model will be implemented. NPs are registered nurses who have additional education and can interpret diagnostic tests, communicate diagnoses, perform specific procedures and prescribe pharmaceuticals without direct supervision of a doctor.

Tapper said the government's inability to provide a time-frame is "incredibly concerning."

"We need something now," he said. "(NPs) have the knowledge and education to provide a full scope of health care services, yet there is no funding model for us to support communities across the province."

Hoffman said the government is currently studying various methods to increase the role of NPs in Alberta, including potential changes in current practices to competitively compensate NPs.

"The additional education that (NPs) take and the quality care they provide to their patients is something we really embrace, and we want to see continue to grow," she said.

But Tapper said the NPs are ready to provide service now, adding other research has shown NPs are cost-effective and can improve Albertan's access to care.

"We're ready, we're prepared and we have the numbers to of this," he said. "So why aren't we moving the funding model now?"

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Farm is contaminated, so compensation due: Family

ENERGY SECTOR

Solvent gas tainted groundwater

An Alberta family whose farmland has been tainted by chemical contamination has asked the province's energy regulator to force the responsible companies to negotiate compensation.

"These are very solid facts upon which the regulator can demonstrate it does have the ability to be an enforcer when things go wrong," said Keith Wilson, lawyer for Ron and Lonni Saken.

The Sakens were informed in 2014 that groundwater under their dairy farm — which has been in the family since 1929 — was contaminated by a solvent used in the treatment of sour gas.

That solvent comes from a gas plant owned by Bonavista Energy, which bought the plant from Suncor in 2010. Bonavista's studies show the leaching began years before it bought the plant.

Experts say it will be at least a decade before the groundwater is safe and it will more likely take 30 years or longer. Meanwhile, the contamination prevents the Sakens from selling their farm or borrowing against it.

Plans to expand the farm to allow their son and his fiancée to join it have been put on hold.

The Alberta Energy Regulator has ordered Bonavista to truck at least 9.5 million litres a year to the farm for the family, staff and cattle. Bonavista has complied.

But the water is only a stopgap, said Wilson. He points to provisions in the 2013 law that created the agency, allowing it to direct companies to attend a dispute resolution meeting.

His letter to the regulator asks it to force both Bonavista and Suncor to do so.

"The meeting will provide an opportunity for the two energy companies known to be responsible for the contamination of the Saken farm to develop a long-term solution," he wrote.

In a letter to the regulator, Bonavista says it is willing to attend such a meeting but is wary of the stakes. It argues the rules say those talks could only involve the order to supply water.

> **"The regulator can demonstrate it does have the ability to be an enforcer when things go wrong.**
> Lawyer Keith Wilson

"Bonavista understands Mr. Wilson's request to relate to more than the order," says the company's letter.

It said it would negotiate with the Sakens if the scope was agreed on in advance.

In earlier correspondence with The Canadian Press, Suncor has said it's "not appropriate" to comment on a plant it no longer owns.

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Lonni Saken on her farm near Edson, Alta, on Oct. 30.
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INITIATIVE

Cultural plan for Calgary

The City of Calgary is inviting Calgarians to take part in a new cultural initiative that looks to better citizens.

The Cultural Plan for Calgary will analyze the city's cultural resources, identify gaps and plan for future needs and opportunities, according to a city news release.

Throughout November, Calgarians are asked to participate in person at one of six community sessions across the city, contribute to an online discussion forum though the city's engage! portal, or answer a telephone survey conducted by Forum Research.

Input from those who participate will help the city identify what people think about culture and how it plays a role in the city. The city also hopes to collect ideas for Calgary's cultural future.

Sarah Iley, manager of culture with the city, said the city's culture scene is extremely diverse, adding she hopes the plan will provide a collective vision for growing the city's cultural resources. METRO

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John Tam hopes his new concept will give people a chance to put down their phones and get to know people face-to-face. AARON CHATHA/METRO

A café for fun, dates, games

MARDA LOOP

Creator rolls dice on possible winter launch

Aaron Chatha
Metro | Calgary

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This December, PiPS Board Game Café hopes to open in Marda Loop.

"We just want you to come in, have a good time — spend some time with people, looking at them, actually in conversation, and having that board game as a medium to generate that conversation," said John Tam, co-owner.

Tam said the café, modeled after similar establishments in cities like Toronto, is designed to provide an alternative to Calgary's bars, restaurants and coffee shops for a night out.

A game master will be on-hand to help groups learn the rules to new games, or even help select games based on time, group size and interests.

Tam said it will be a great location for groups — or for a date night.

"You learn a lot about a person while playing games," he said. "I think they expand upon your relationship and going forward, you start to learn a few things you didn't before. Games bring that out in people."

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HEALTH

New vascular disease facility opens doors

Jeremy Simes
For Metro | Calgary

The first phase of the redeveloped Vascular Centre of Excellence at the Peter Lougheed Centre opened Monday, and doctors expect the facility to dramatically lower wait times.

One way the facility plans to lower wait times is by using more efficient technology, meaning doctors can get patients in and out of hospitals more quickly, according to Dr. Paul Petrasek, section head for the vascular surgery with AHS.

He said the number of Calgarians who have vascular diseases has increased — the population is aging, and more people are being treated for diabetes and obesity.

Vascular disease includes conditions that affect the circulatory system, like aortic aneurysms and the narrowing of the arteries.

"The new Vascular Centre of Excellence is designed to facilitate efficient care by bringing together caregivers in one location who can offer everything from vascular disease prevention to the most extensive types of vascular surgeries, using the newest, latest invasive techniques," Petrasek said.

The 2,500-sq-metre, $32.6 million project includes a larger inpatient area, increased outpatient services and two new hybrid operating suites that have advanced medical imaging devices, which help surgeries for complex cases.

Dr. Paul Petrasek explains the new technology to Health Minister Sarah Hoffman at the Redeveloped Vascular Centre of Excellence. JEREMY SIMES/METRO

VOTE

SAIT takes big step towards new student headquarters

It's a historic step for students at SAIT who, after a referendum, voted in favour of dipping into locked funds to build the campus' first ever student-run headquarters.

The results were announced Monday afternoon that 13.2 per cent of students who were eligible voters in the referendum turned up to vote and the union ended up with 88 per cent in favour of accessing the Restricted Student Association Building Fund.

"We will be moving forward with the new SAITSA building," said president Brigitte Matheson. "It's surreal, it's really exciting ... it's a big project, so we want to make sure the student voice will be continually heard throughout the project."

The fund was created in 2009 by SAITSA and required student approval to access it. The HQ project will cost around $25 million and so far the fund has accrued $6.4 million. The project, once started, should take two years to complete. METRO

METRO ADULT COLOURING CONTEST

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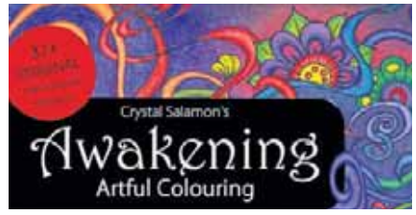

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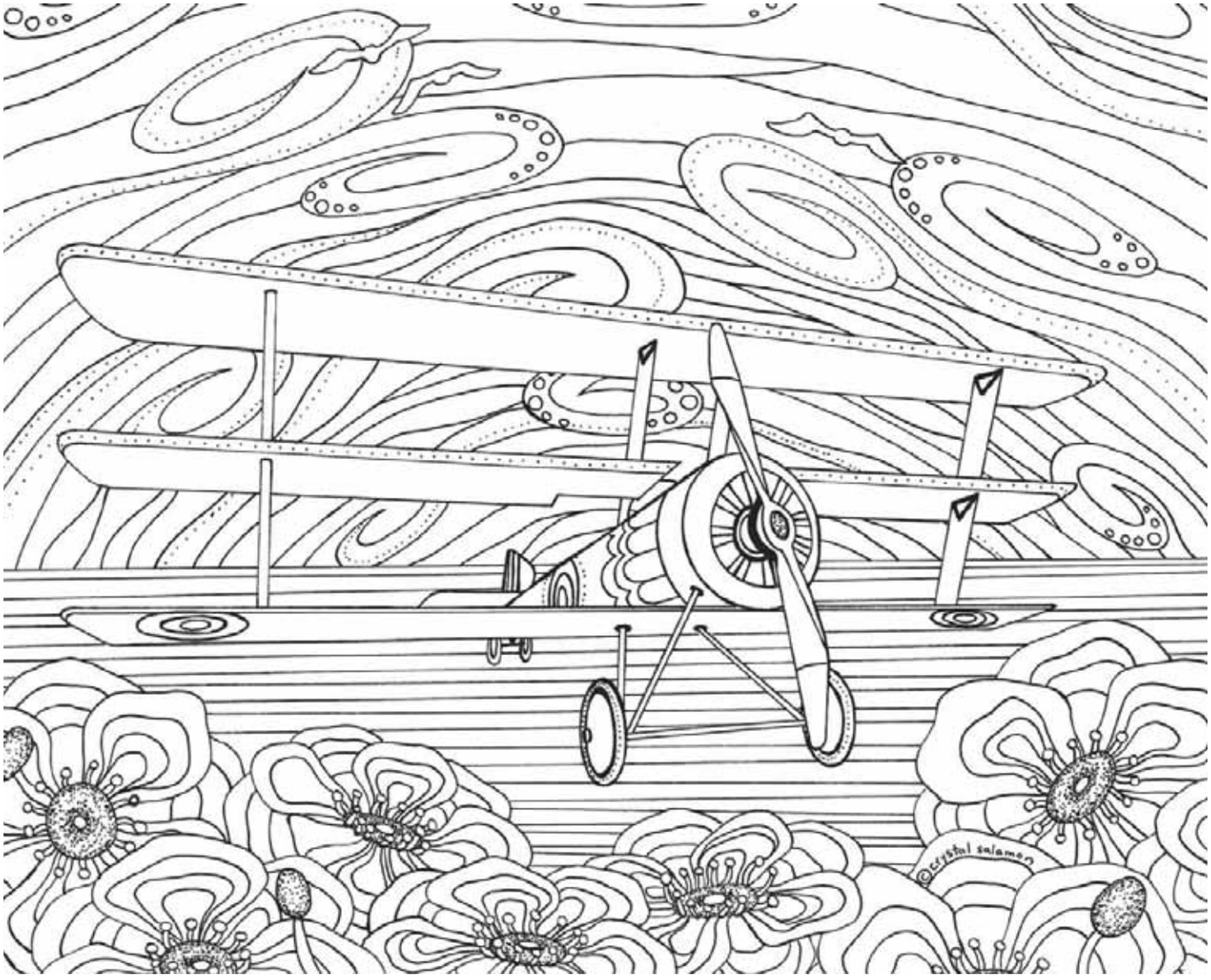

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Vet still keeps oath of secrecy

REMEMBRANCE DAY

Wilkinson recalls women's WWII contribution

Brodie Thomas
Metro | Calgary

It's not an uncommon story: someone who wants to join the war effort fudges their age to sign up.

It's exactly what Rose Wilkinson, 92, did when she signed up to help in the Second World War.

What makes her story different from most is that she was a young woman — just 18 in 1942 when she joined the Canadian Women's Army Corps (CWAC).

"You had to be 21," said Wilkinson. "I changed the date on the card I showed them."

Wilkinson was at Lougheed House on Monday afternoon to talk about her wartime experiences, which took her from the small town of Delia, Alta. to Calgary, Fort Vermillion, and eventually Ottawa.

The promise of travel was part of the allure of signing up. The pay — 90 cents per day — didn't hurt either.

"It was a chance to travel a little bit," she said. "I had two brothers overseas. If they could join the army, I could too."

And the work was interesting. Within months she was a cypher clerk stationed in Ottawa — coding and decoding messages.

"We had to take an oath that we would never reveal what we had seen," she said.

It's an oath she takes seriously, since she still won't talk about what sort of sensitive information she saw while at the desk in Ottawa.

Looking back now, Wilkinson said many good things came out of what was a horrible episode in history.

> **"I had two brothers overseas. If they could join the army, I could too."**
> Rose Wilkinson

"The camaraderie — it's something you can't describe. You can meet another veteran and already you've met a friend."

The war effort also paved the way for women's advancement, and she said it wasn't simply women like her who enlisted who helped break those barriers. Women who stayed behind to run farms or businesses while their husbands were away were just as instrumental in the change.

Lougheed House's exhibit on the CWAC is on display until the end of the year.

Veteran Rose Wilkinson, 92, stands by a recruitment poster for the Canadian Women's Army Corps. Wilkinson spoke about her wartime experiences at Lougheed House Museum on Monday. BRODIE THOMAS / METRO

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FARMING

Fresh foods program for those who served

Helen Pike
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Fresh fruits and vegetables for veterans — Grow Calgary is honoured to serve those who have served.

On November 11 the urban farming organization will launch a program to bring baskets full of fresh food to those veterans who need it, on demand.

Paul Hughes of Grow Calgary was also a veteran of conflict during the Cold War, and he said he has been working with veterans groups over the years and realized he could help.

As it stands, he said the Calgary Veterans Food Bank isn't set up to be a source of fresh food.

"There's a gap in the system and that's sort of where we came in," said Hughes. "When we're off production we're going to tap into farmers markets and local retailers to help us put together fresh fruit and veggie baskets for the veterans and deliver them directly to the veterans."

They're calling it the Veteran's Health Program and those interested can show interest either by calling 403-210-7752 or emailing farm@growcalgary.ca.

He added they aren't associated with the veterans' food bank.

Philadelphia Pawly plants peas as part of an effort that saw 120 of her classmates at the Calgary Girls' School pitch in for Grow Calgary in support of food-bank users. METRO FILE PHOTO

EVENTS

REMEMBRANCE DAY CEREMONIES

Field of Crosses Memorial Project: Memorial Drive NW between 3rd Street NW and Centre Street. Ceremony, starting at 10:30 a.m.

The Military Museums: Service begins at 10:30 a.m. There will be limited parking available on site in the field to the east of the Parade Square. Parking is also available at the Flames Community Arena to the South. 4520 Crowchild Trail SW

Aero Space Museum of Calgary: The Aero Space Museum will be open to the public after the Service with admission by donation. Donations for the Veteran's Food bank will also be accepted. Doors open at 9:45 a.m. Service to begin at 10:26 a.m. 4629 McCall Way NE.

Battalion Park: Ceremony starts 10:30 a.m. 3001 Signal Hill Dr. SW.

Central Memorial Park: Will include the Calgary Highlanders Parade, 10:30 a.m. 1221 2 St. S.W.

OTHER REMEMBRANCE DAY EVENTS

Calgary Airport: The Calgary International Airport Pipe Band and Honour Guard will form up at 10:30 a.m. in the Concourse A - Departures Level check-in area at YYC. There will be a procession through the terminal ending at the open public area adjacent to Montana's Cookhouse.

Calgary Zoo: Members of the military and their immediate family members accompanying them will receive 50 per cent off admission to the Calgary Zoo from Nov. 11 – Dec. 30, 2015 and also includes ZOOLIGHTS, starting Nov. 27 – Jan. 2, 2016. Offer is not valid Dec. 25, Christmas Day and Dec. 31 for Zoo Year's Eve.

Human poppy: Hundreds of Muslims will participate in special ceremony at Baitun Nur Mosque, Calgary on Nov. 11 to honor soldiers and their families. The event will feature making a human poppy. The event will take place at the Baitun Nur Mosque 2:30 p.m., 4353 54 Avenue NE.

Opinion split on youth: Poll

REMEMBRANCE DAY

Demographic regarded as less appreciative of war veterans

Canadians overwhelmingly find Remembrance Day as relevant today as when it began nearly a century ago but are split on whether younger generations properly appreciate and honour the country's veterans, according to a new survey released days before the ceremony.

The poll commissioned by Historica Canada found that 82 per cent of Canadians believe the annual tribute is as important now as it was shortly after the First World War.

Only slightly more than half (54 per cent), however, feel today's youth "do a good job" of honouring veterans, and slightly fewer than half (46 per cent) think young people understand the sacrifices of those who have died in conflict.

Even those under 35 are torn, with only 54 per cent saying young people recognize veterans' sacrifices — in itself a sign of engagement, Historica Canada's president said.

"When the answer among youth themselves is split as to whether they sufficiently care or not, if you're saying, 'Yeah, I don't actually know if I care as much as I should,' in effect you're really saying, 'I do care because I've taken the trouble to think about that,'" Anthony Wilson-Smith said.

Overall, the importance Canadians attribute to the Nov. 11 commemoration has risen slightly in the decade that Historica Canada has been polling on the topic, Wilson-Smith said.

Support for making Remembrance Day a national holiday has remained steady since 2012 at 85 per cent.

While it is currently a federal statutory holiday, only six provinces deem it a day off.

But some believe the switch would turn Remembrance Day into another holiday spent shopping or socializing and detract from the date's significance.

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A woman photographs thousands of Canadian flags placed in honour of Remembrance Day in Toronto on Monday. NATHAN DENETTE/THE CANADIAN PRESS

> **I think there's a tremendous awareness among all Canadians that our veterans from (the Second World War) are now generally in their 90s.**
> Anthony Wilson-Smith

79%

The percentage of respondents who said they will wear the traditional poppy to mark Remembrance Day.

91%

The percentage of respondents who believe Canada should do more to honour its veterans.

REFUGEE CRISIS

Airline offers aid to Syrians

Plans to resettle 25,000 Syrian refugees by year's end could involve assistance from commercial air carriers, at least one of which has already offered space on its planes to the Liberal government.

Air Canada reached out to the new government following the election, offering its services to help ferry people to Canada as they flee the ongoing civil war and other unrest in Syria.

Though the airline can't fly directly into Syria itself, it could land planes in Istanbul as well as Beirut; an estimated 1 million people in Lebanon have registered with the United Nations as refugees from the conflict.

"Air Canada has offered to co-operate with the federal government to the fullest extent possible in any operation to transport Syrian refugees," spokesman Peter Fitzpatrick said in an email. "At this point, however, we have only exchanged preliminary information."

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McKenna gives OK to dump city sewage

ENVIRONMENT

Asks Montreal to create, meet conditions for huge discharge

Environment Minister Catherine McKenna has greenlighted Montreal's plan to discharge eight billion litres of untreated sewage into the St. Lawrence River if certain conditions are met.

McKenna told reporters from Paris she's asking the city to implement several measures before dumping the waste water such as monitoring the discharge and to improve emergency-planning clean-up measures.

She says the discharge can begin as soon as the conditions are met and must be completed by Dec. 5.

Montreal Mayor Denis Coderre has said the dump is necessary because the city must temporarily close a large sewer that feeds sewage to a treatment facility and alternative solutions would be too costly.

In mid-October, the discharge plan was suspended by the previous Conservative government, which appointed an independent panel of experts to determine if the waste water would be acutely toxic.

The panel's report was released Friday and stated the risks of waiting were greater than the city's plan to dump the sewage into the river.

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CONFERENCE

Greenhouse gas target should be considered floor for future action: McKenna

Canada's national target set by the Conservatives for cutting greenhouse gas emissions should be considered a floor for future action, federal Environment Minister Catherine McKenna said Monday.

The new Liberal government has so far refused to set a carbon reduction target in advance of the COP21 international climate conference, citing the need to consult with the provinces before putting in place a credible national plan.

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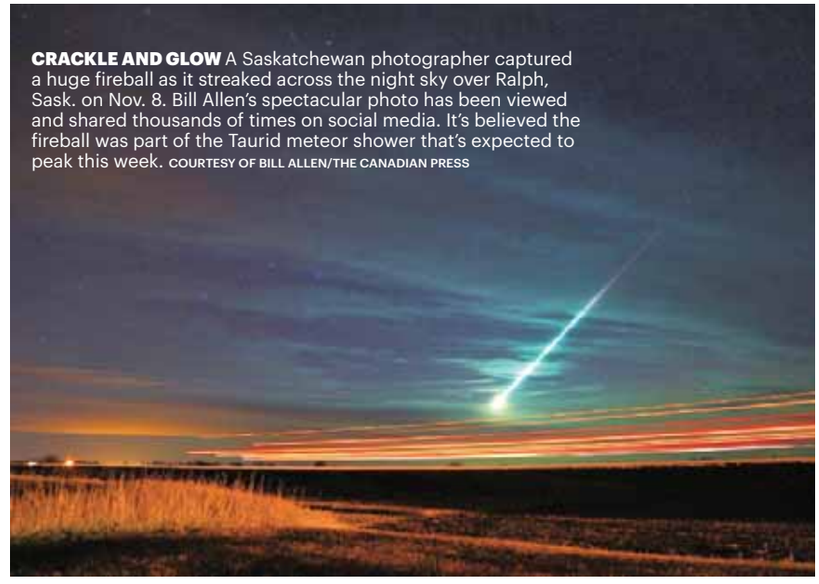

CRACKLE AND GLOW A Saskatchewan photographer captured a huge fireball as it streaked across the night sky over Ralph, Sask. on Nov. 8. Bill Allen's spectacular photo has been viewed and shared thousands of times on social media. It's believed the fireball was part of the Taurid meteor shower that's expected to peak this week. COURTESY OF BILL ALLEN/THE CANADIAN PRESS

IN BRIEF

Liberals jump at chance to grab some quick cash

What do you do when a newly elected prime minister's quip grabs international attention? Put it on a T-shirt and make some money out of it, of course.

The Liberals are doing just that with Justin Trudeau's "Because it's 2015" comment in reference to choosing a gender-balanced cabinet. The shirts, emblazoned with the words "50/50: Because it's 2015 – PMJT" are being offered to supporters who donate a minimum of $100 within the next two days. METRO

HUMAN RIGHTS

Tim Hortons fails to squash grievance

A Canadian coffee giant and franchisee have lost their bid to toss out a human-rights complaint lodged by Mexican workers in northeastern British Columbia.

Edxon Chein, Eric Dessens, Rodolfo Lara and Ruben Ramirez were all hired under the Temporary Foreign Worker Program to work in a Tim Hortons franchise in Dawson Creek in 2012.

The workers filed a complaint with the B.C. Human Rights Tribunal against Tim Hortons Inc., TDL Group Corp., a subsidiary that oversees restaurant operations, and franchise operator Tony Van Den Bosch. They allege they had to endure inferior working conditions, racist and derogatory comments and sub-standard living conditions.

The tribunal didn't make a final decision but ruled against the application to dismiss the case, ordered it to go to a hearing and urged the parties to seek mediation.

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Workers tend to the scene of a train derailment in Watertown, Wis., on Monday. WISCONSIN STATE JOURNAL/JOHN HART/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Crude-oil cleanup goes on

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY

Derailed train in Wisconsin keeps dozens of families out

Contractors worked to clear more than a dozen derailed cars of a loaded Canadian Pacific Railway train Monday after thousands of litres of crude oil spilled from one tanker, causing the evacuation of a neighbourhood in a small southern Wisconsin city.

Residents who evacuated dozens of homes in Watertown following the derailment Sunday afternoon were still being kept away Monday as 12 derailed cars were moved to a temporary track. Thirteen of the train's 110 cars derailed, and 109 of them were carrying crude oil, officials said.

Crews were dismantling and removing one car that was punctured, and it spilled no more than 3,800 litres, Canadian Pacific spokesman Andrew Cummings said. The railroad said the leaking car was sealed, the oil contained and siphoned off and that none of the product reached any waterways.

It was the second freight train derailment in as many days in Wisconsin. On Saturday, 25 BNSF train cars including tankers derailed, spilling more than 68,000 litres of ethanol along the shores of the Mississippi River in western Wisconsin.

BNSF said railroad crews stopped the leaks from five tanker cars and placed containment booms along the shoreline. No one was hurt. BNSF said it expects the tracks to return to service Monday.

> **We won't rule anything out until we have a chance to do a full investigation.**
> Steven Illich

Federal Railroad Administration regional administrator Steven Illich said there was no reason to believe the Watertown derailment was anything but an accident.

"We have no indications that it is criminal. However, again, we won't rule anything out until we have a chance to do a full investigation," Illich said. Investigators will look at several key areas, including the track, he added.

Watertown fire chief Gregory Michalek said Monday that residents who evacuated 35 homes following the spill cannot return home until the cleanup is complete.

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RBC

Optimism wavering as youths age: Survey

Jessica Smith Cross
Metro | Toronto

Right around the time teens hit adulthood, their outlook on their future becomes considerably less rosy, a major Canadian bank has found in a new survey.

RBC commissioned an in-depth survey on the optimism of youth, released Tuesday, that found the numbers of 18- to 21-year-olds who say they're happy, have a positive outlook on life and are excited about their future are 15 to 25 per cent lower than teens aged 14 to 17.

Lauren Friese, founder of TalentEgg, a service that connects youth with jobs, collaborated with RBC on the survey.

The survey indicates that the optimism of youth falls off significantly when those youth — told all their lives to follow their passion in their careers — discover that might not be easy or even possible, she said.

"There's a big group of people in school today being told it's important to find meaning in their work and follow their passion. It's putting all these expectations on them, but every story in the media and every statistic tells them, 'It's going to be hard for you; it's going to be harder than previous generations for you,'" she said. "When you get to the workplace, expectations and realities are not in line."

Friese's advice is to help young people try out different career paths in internships and extracurricular activities until they discover what both makes them happy and is feasible.

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Respite at border for kids

GREECE-MACEDONIA

Charities establish play centre for young refugees

As thousands of refugees wait long hours to cross the Greece-Macedonia border to head to more prosperous northern European countries, respite is on offer for the youngest.

Charities have set up a children's play centre, which opened about 10 days ago and is operational 24 hours a day, in the Idomeni camp, where children can watch cartoons or draw while their parents wait for their family's turn to cross the border.

"We try to occupy the children, care for infants and also identify unaccompanied minors so efforts can begin to reunite them with their families," said Alexis Vrahnos, local co-ordinator of the Arsis charity that set up the play centre in co-operation with Save the Children and Terre Des Hommes.

A Syrian girl draws at a refugee camp near Idomeni, Greece, on Monday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The play centre is staffed around the clock by a psychologist, a teacher, two interpreters and a nurse.

Sitting at one table is five-year-old Alman from Kobani, Syria, along with his two brothers. He proudly holds up the picture he's been drawing.

"It's a child walking on water," he tells a visiting reporter.

His father Mahmoud says the family travelled to the Greek island of Lesbos from the nearby Turkish coast — a short but perilous journey that has cost many lives as overcrowded dinghies or wooden boats capsize or sink.

"We had a difficult journey in the sea until we reached Mytilene," he says, referring to the island's capital. "The children were all wearing life jackets, but what they lived through was terrifying. Thankfully they will quickly forget it."

He didn't want to give a surname for fear of persecution of relatives back home.

Two sisters from the Syrian city of Hama — four-year-old Sofia and her three-year-old sister Lilas — as well as their three cousins, sit at the next table. Sofia draws a picture of flowers.

"The boys usually draw guns," said her father Mohamed Kheer of his three nephews. "The girls draw houses and flowers." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

> **"The girls draw houses and flowers."**
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MYANMAR

Aung San Suu Kyi's party claims win

The party of opposition leader Aung San Suu Kyi claimed victory Monday in virtually every seat in four states where results of Myanmar's historic parliamentary election were known, signalling a sweep that could give it the presidency and further loosen the military's stranglehold.

The announcement at the headquarters of the National League for Democracy (NLD) in Yangon set off a new round of jubilation among the party's red-shirted supporters, who already had been celebrating the result of Sunday's vote.

The NLD said it had won 44 of the 45 lower-house seats and all 12 of the upper-house seats from the party stronghold of Yangon, Myanmar's biggest city. It also won all 38 seats in Ayeyarwaddy state, all but one of the 40 in Bago and 11 out of 19 lower-house seats and all 10 upper-house seats in Mon state. The trend was expected to continue in Myanmar's remaining 10 states.

Even without official results, it was clear the Union Solidarity Development Party was facing a rout. The party is made up of former junta members who ruled the country for 50 years and as a quasi-civilian government since 2011. Many of its leaders conceded defeats in their races.

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Myanmar's opposition leader Aung San Suu Kyi waves after delivering a speech in Yangon, Myanmar, on Monday.
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IN BRIEF

Police officer opens fire at compound, kills five

A Jordanian police officer opened fire Monday at a regional police training centre in the Jordanian capital of Amman, killing two Americans, two Jordanians and a South African before being shot dead, the Jordanian government spokesman said. The attack also wounded seven people. The spokesman said authorities are investigating whether the attacker's motive was personal or political.
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Dozens electrocuted in Iraqi floods

Sixty-nine people have died across Iraq over the past two weeks, due to a combination of the country's dilapidated electrical grid and heavy rains that overwhelmed sewer systems, the Iraqi Ministry of Health said. Many died in their homes as they waded through flooded first-floor rooms. Others were electrocuted in the city streets where electrical lines are haphazard and jerry-rigged, connecting homes to the municipal grid and a network of generators.
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Obama and Netanyahu meet to talk peace

U.S. President Barack Obama and Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu reaffirmed their commitment to seeking elusive Middle East peace on Monday at the White House, though prospects for an agreement between Israelis and Palestinians appear ever further out of reach. Israel has accused Palestinian political and religious leaders of inciting violence, while Palestinians say it's due to a lack of hope for gaining independence after years of failed peace efforts. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Conference focuses on threat posed by jihadists

Islamic extremists are expanding their reach in West Africa, using porous borders and exploiting political chaos to further their attacks, security experts said Monday at the opening of a conference in Dakar, Senegal, on the jihadist threat. Hundreds of security officials from Africa, the U.S. and the United Nations are taking part in the conference to develop strategies for a response to the attacks that have mounted this year far beyond Boko Haram's base in Nigeria.
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A girl watches a killer whale in a tank at SeaWorld in San Diego, Calif. The company's revenue has sunk since the 2013 release of the documentary Blackfish. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

SeaWorld to end its orca shows

UNITED STATES

San Diego park to focus on whales in their natural setting

SeaWorld will end its orca shows at its San Diego, Calif., park by 2017, its top executive said Monday, saying customers at the location have made it clear they prefer killer whales acting more naturally rather than doing tricks.

CEO Joel Manby told investors that the park — where the iconic shows of killer whales doing flips and other stunts debuted decades ago — will offer a different kind of orca experience focusing on the animal's natural setting and its behaviours, starting in 2017.

Animal-rights activists called the move a marketing gimmick and want the company to phase out holding whales in captivity at all.

The Orlando, Fla.-based company has seen revenue drop since the 2013 release of the documentary Blackfish, which examined how orcas respond to captivity, particularly in the case of Tilikum, a killer whale that caused trainer Dawn Brancheau's 2010 death by pulling her into a pool at SeaWorld Orlando.

Attendance has dropped the most at its San Diego location, and the decision to end such shows would be limited for now to that park, the original home of Shamu. Shows at its other parks, including in San Antonio and Orlando, will continue.

"The theatrical production of the show in that market is what they wanted to see less of," Manby said of San Diego's customers. "But it's not universal across our properties."

Manby told investors that the new killer-whale attraction will "have a strong conservation message."

"They want the orca experience to be activities the whales do in the wild," Manby said of California customers. "Things they perceive as tricks, they don't like as well."

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CATALONIA

Lawmakers approve secession plan

The regional parliament of Catalonia launched a plan Monday to set up a road map for independence from Spain by 2017, defying warnings from the central government in Madrid that it is violating the nation's constitution. The chamber, based in Barcelona, passed the secession resolution in a 72-63 vote. Spanish Prime Minister Mariano Rajoy reacted swiftly, saying his government will appeal the decision at the constitutional court.

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EGYPT

Tourists flee amid security concerns

Thousands of Russian vacationers were heading home from Egypt on Monday aboard special planes sent by Moscow, which has suspended all flights to Egypt amid security concerns in the aftermath of the Oct. 31 plane crash of a Russian airliner that killed all 224 people on board.

Other airliners from Britain and Western Europe also are arriving to bring their nationals home, after several countries and airlines last week suspended new flights to Egypt because of the security concerns as suspicions focused on the possibility that a bomb caused the Metrojet crash.

U.S. and British officials have cited intelligence reports as indicating that the Oct. 31 flight from the Sinai resort town of Sharm el-Sheikh to St. Petersburg was brought down by a bomb on board.

British Foreign Secretary Phillip Hammond offered some of the strongest comments yet on the issue, saying Monday it "now looks more likely than not to have been an explosive device smuggled on to the plane" by operatives or loyalists of the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant.

Israel Defence Minister Moshe Yaalon said Monday there was a "high probability" that a bomb brought down the plane. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Russian passengers at the Sharm el-Sheikh Airport in South Sinai, Egypt, Monday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Clinton files candidacy

POLITICS

Presidential hopeful ready for another run

Democratic presidential front-runner Hillary Rodham Clinton campaigned in New Hampshire Monday with reminders of her decades-long membership in the nation's political power structure. As she filed her official candidacy, Clinton reminisced about the previous times she'd been present for that ritual: twice in the 1990s when her husband, former President Bill Clinton, ran for election and re-election, and once for her own first presidential run, in 2007.

She later touted her longtime relationship with the League of Conservation Voters, a leading environmental group which endorsed her. And promising to continue President Barack Obama's work on climate change, Clinton cast herself as her party's liberal standard-bearer.

Along the way, Clinton took an implicit swipe at rival Sen. Bernie Sanders, a self-described democratic socialist challenging her for the nomination as a Democrat.

"Well, I'm a Democrat. I just signed papers saying I'm a Democrat. He has to speak for himself," said Clinton.

Sanders was elected to the Senate from Vermont as an independent, but caucuses with the Democratic minority.

Clinton described herself as a "proud Democrat" who would protect Obama's agenda and prevent Republicans from dismantling his signature health care reform law and guard against tax breaks that would benefit the wealthy.

Reprising a line that has become a crowd favourite, Clinton said that Obama hasn't received the "credit he deserves" for helping the U.S. emerge from a deep recession - and made reference to the mantra of her husband, whose come-from-behind second-place finish propelled his candidacy in 1992.

"This election is still going to be about the economy, right? That's what it was about when my husband ran back in '92 in New Hampshire," she said. "That's what it's still about."

Democratic presidential candidate Hillary Rodham Clinton gets ready to sign papers to be on the nation's earliest presidential primary ballot. JIM COLE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Clinton later joined environmentalists in Nashua, where she credited Obama's decision last week to reject the Keystone XL pipeline and recent decisions to cancel lease sales in the Arctic.

Sanders and former Maryland Gov. Martin O'Malley, who are challenging Clinton for the nomination, have questioned her commitment to environmental causes, noting her reluctance to come out earlier against the Keystone pipeline.

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UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI

Official resigns over race turmoil

The president of the University of Missouri system and the head of its flagship campus resigned Monday with the football team and others in revolt over what they saw as indifference to racial tensions at the school.

President Tim Wolfe took "full responsibility for the frustration" students expressed and said their complaints were "clear" and "real."

For months black student groups had made complaints, which came to a head two days ago when about 30 black football players said they would not play until the president left. A graduate student also went on a week-long hunger strike.

Wolfe's announcement came at the start of what had been expected to be a lengthy closed-door meeting of the school's governing board.

Wolfe, 57, a former software executive and Missouri business school graduate, was hired as president in 2011.

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Fatou Diouf in her garden outside her house in Diamniadio Island in Senegal. The islanders' way of life is fundamentally changing with the climate. JANE HAHN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Hope sinking off Senegal

WEST AFRICA

Saloum Delta islands suffer damage from climate change

The place where Fatou Faye's kitchen once stood is now outlined with short branches of mangroves, a small and perhaps futile attempt to prevent the sea from destroying the rest of her house.

The rising sea levels pushing into the waters of Senegal's Saloum Delta threaten to carve the rest of her grey cement home from its foundation, leaving her and 30 other relatives homeless on low-lying Diamniadio Island.

"I am very afraid for my sons and grandsons and for when the next house collapses," says the 60-year-old.

Faye and thousands of others on these tiny islands and villages in this part of West Africa are living on the frontline of climate change: Not only are water levels here now higher than they used to be, droughts and erratic rainfalls lead to floods that carve through the white-shell-lined alleyways, and increased salt levels are poisoning the fresh waters, land and agriculture. The loss of mangrove habitat—driven by nature and human actions — means coastal lines and fish breeding grounds are being erased.

Seynabou Diatta, the president of the local group Let's Work Together, says women used to cut down mangrove trees for firewood. They are now using less, and only taking it from designated areas.

"Without the mangroves we cannot live," she says.

Fishing and agriculture are disappearing, leaving islanders with little income and fears of starvation. Some are making the perilous journey to Europe in hopes to support their families.

Activists working to save these islands in Senegal hope their plight is front and centre at an upcoming UN climate summit in Paris. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

9/11

Funeral held for woman who was first responder

Family, officers and friends said goodbye to a police lieutenant who worked at Ground Zero after the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks. Funeral services were held Sunday for New York Police Department Lt. Marci Simms, 51, of Long Island. She died of lung cancer Thursday.

She was one of the thousands of first responders at Ground Zero, and spent more than four months doing rescue, recovery and cleanup. Her husband cared for her as she became increasingly sick. Doctors have been monitoring 9/11 workers for signs that toxins at the site gave people cancer. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ROMANIA

Journalist's death raises nightclub toll

A popular TV editor and photographer has died after succumbing to burns from the nightclub fire in Bucharest, raising the death toll in the tragedy to 46.

ProTV news said Teodora Maftei, 36, died Monday at a hospital in Israel from burns sustained in the Oct. 30 fire.

She was covering the heavy metal concert at the Colectiv basement club when the fire erupted. After the fire, a Bucharest restaurant exhibited 23 photos she took in London in August to raise money for her treatment.

Raed Arafat, an emergency situations official, said Monday that 10 patients have been safely transported to Britain and Norway for treatment.

Thirteen people died over the weekend.

He said 83 people remain hospitalized in facilities around the capital, of which 21 are in a critical or serious condition, with the rest in stable condition.

Forensic tests show that 18 of the 26 people who died immediately after the fire were intoxicated with noxious gases, while people who died over the next couple of days had organ failure, said Abdo Salem, who heads the department of legal medicine in the National Institute for Legal Medicine. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

EXIT

Seeking answers

Police are talking to local police chief Adrian Ionescu about how the club could operate with a single exit. The owners were arrested last week. They are being investigated for manslaughter and involuntary bodily harm. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Shell launches Alberta carbon capture project

CLIMATE CHANGE

Technology key to ensure oilsands stays in game: CEO

The Quest carbon capture and storage facility in Fort Saskatchewan, Alta, is designed to capture and store more than a million tonnes of CO2 each year. JASON FRANSON/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Ben van Beurden would be the first to admit carbon capture and storage (CCS) is not the most alluring technology to look at.

But the CEO of European energy giant Royal Dutch Shell Plc wants CCS — unsexy though it may be in the public's eye — to come as readily to mind when thinking about combating climate change as windmills would.

Van Beurden was among the dignitaries to crank a big yellow valve at Shell's oil processing complex in Fort Saskatchewan northeast of Edmonton last week, officially opening its $1.35-billion Quest project — helped by $745 million from the Alberta government and $120 million from Ottawa.

Quest — a dizzying labyrinth of tubes and pipes — is attached to Shell's Scotford upgrader, where oilsands bitumen from its mine some 500 kilometres north is transformed into refinery-ready crude.

The aim of the project is to capture a million tonnes of carbon dioxide annually that would otherwise escape — about a third of the upgrader's total emissions — and store it more than two kilometres underground.

As Shell sees it, CCS is crucial in ensuring the oilsands remain competitive in an increasingly climate-conscious world. Van Beurden said renewables have their place, but given the globe's population-growth trajectory in the coming decades, phasing out fossil fuels entirely is not realistic.

That's where CCS comes in, he said.

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INITIAL PUBLIC OFFERING

Match.com parent firm going public

The owner of Tinder, Match.com and OkCupid hopes to raise as much as $466.2 million US in an initial public offering, which would put the value of the dating site company in the neighbourhood of $3 billion US.

Match Group Inc. disclosed in a regulatory filing Monday that it will price its IPO of about 33.3 million shares between $12 US and $14 US per share. The underwriters will have a 30-day option to buy an additional 5 million shares.

The online matchmaker will list on Nasdaq under the symbol "MTCH."

Parent company IAC/InterActiveCorp, controlled by billionaire Barry Diller, has been snapping up online dating sites as the industry grows in popularity. In July it bought Vancouver-based dating website PlentyOfFish for $575 million US. The Match Group offers dating products through nearly 50 brands in 40 languages around the world.

About 31 million Americans have used a dating site or app, according to a 2013 Pew Research Center study.

The Dallas company says it has turned a profit in each of the last three year and had $1 billion US in revenue over the 12 months ended June 30.

Match Group has about 59 million active monthly users, 4.7 million of them paid, using 38 languages in more than 190 countries.

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ECONOMY

Canada's growth will slow this year, think-tank says

Canada's economic growth this year will slow to 1.2 per cent — about half of what it was last year — before gaining strength in the next two years, says a report released Monday by the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development.

The Paris-based economic think-tank estimates Canada's gross domestic product, which grew by 2.4 per cent in 2014, won't get back to that level for at least two more years.

It's estimating Canada's 2016 economic growth at 2.0 per cent and 2.3 per cent for 2017.

By comparison, the OECD estimates the United States will grow 2.4 per cent this year, 2.5 per cent in 2016 and 2.4 per cent in 2017 - outpacing most other G7 countries by a wide margin each year.

OECD Secretary General Angel Gurria presents the Economic Outlook in Paris on Monday. AFP/GETTY IMAGES

The United Kingdom is the only G7 country to come close to the U.S. in each of the three years.

The OECD report also warned that a slowdown in international trade is "deeply concerning" and could be signalling a new recession for the world's leading economies.

The risk to the global economy centres on slower growth in emerging markets such as China, it added.

China's economic transition away from massive investment in infrastructure and manufacturing has hurt commodity exporters such as Australia, Brazil, Canada and Russia, the report said.

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IN BRIEF

Home construction down

The pace of new residential construction in Canada slowed down in October after a red-hot September, but the decline in housing starts wasn't enough to change the upward trend over the past six months. Canada Mortgage and Housing Corp. says last month's seasonally adjusted rate of housing starts was 198,065 units, down from 231,304 in September — primarily because of fewer of multiple-unit project starts in urban areas. The urban multi-unit starts accounted for 122,187 units nationally in October, down 22 per cent from the previous month. CMHC says the decline in urban starts was seen in most regions, with British Columbia being the exception. The number of single-detached starts was up from September.

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Metro POLL

Are you a medical miracle?

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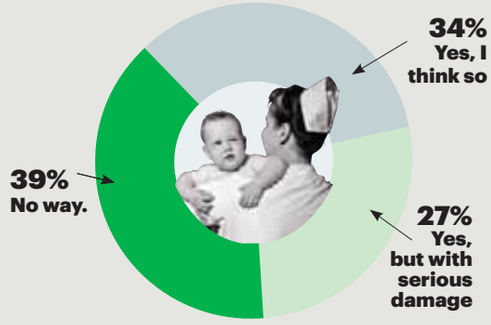
Scientists in Nottingham, England have made a jaw-dropping discovery in an 1,100-year-old book: A recipe for a powerful antibiotic. The medieval brew, which researchers found to be effective in the lab against drug-resistant staph bacteria, was labelled "best medicine," in Old English and calls for onions, garlic, wine and bile from a bovine stomach, left to stew in a warm place for nine days. This miraculous outlier notwithstanding, most folk medicines, herbal remedies and home cures haven't been rigorously tested — but many people choose to use them anyways. We asked our readers: How important have antibiotics been in your life? And do you call the doctor right away when you're under the weather, or do you try your hand at brewing your own "best medicine" at home?

1 Would you be alive today if not for antibiotics? (Note: Before effective antibiotics, many common bacterial infections had mortality rates of 10-30 per cent).



2 What do you do when you catch a cold, flu or bug?

41%
I only go to the doctor if I'm about to drop dead
7%
I go to the doctor within a day
52%
I try home remedies, then go to the doctor if I don't improve

3 Which home remedies do you rely on?

19% Rest and plenty of fluids
15% Tea with honey and lemon (for sore throat/cold/flu)
14% Salt-water gargle (for sore throat)
11% Ginger (for upset stomach)
10% Steam (for congestion)
7% Herbal remedies
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Homemade hot lemonade: fresh lemons, corn syrup, water.

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METRO READERS

Unlicensed cyclists? That's not a problem.

YOUR RIDE
Jeremy Klaszus

"Cyclists should be licensed, like everyone else on the road!"

It's a persistent refrain. It pops up in online comments and call-in radio shows. Occasionally, a politician puts it forth as a new and novel concept.

What most people don't know is that cities throughout North America, including Calgary, have already been there, done that — and eventually scrapped bike licensing.

For a good part of the 20th century, urban cyclists had to buy a licence, often annually. In 1916, a City of Calgary bike licence cost you fifty cents.

The rationale wasn't just safety on the streets. In Canada and the U.S., police promoted licensing as a way of protecting against bike theft. It was easier to return a stolen licensed bike to its owner than an unlicensed one, went the thinking.

Bike licensing resulted in crackdowns that now seem comical. Police threatened to impound the bicycles of unlicensed children. In Milwaukee, kids got hauled before juvenile court for minor offenses like riding on the sidewalk.

As early as the 1940s, people were questioning the point of bike licensing.

In 1947, a group of Ottawa city councillors derided bike licensing as a "nuisance tax" that did nothing to protect cyclists.

One councillor noted that the City of Ottawa didn't actually make anything on bicycle licensing, as money taken in for licences got eaten up by costs and administration. The city police chief also admitted that licensing hadn't been effective in reuniting stolen bikes with their owners.

Over time, most cities did away with bike licensing. Toronto repealed its bylaw in the 1950s. Calgary's lasted into the 1970s. Regina officially repealed bike licensing earlier this year, though it had stopped enforcing it years before. (There too, the city admitted that licensing had largely failed to put stolen bikes back into owners' hands).

Still, the idea crops up again and again, propped up by thin arguments of making cyclists "pay their fair share" of road infrastructure, allowing better enforcement of traffic rules and preventing bike theft.

In reality, people who bike already pay their fair share. The bulk of the city's road infrastructure budget comes from property taxes, not licensing.

As for enforcement, the rules of the road already apply to cyclists. This being so, it's unclear what exactly licensing would accomplish, aside from creating more city bureaucracy.

In recent decades, numerous cities have looked at reintroducing bike licenses. Most end up with the same conclusion: It makes little sense.

When the City of Toronto revisited the issue in 2006, it found that if the city was to actually make money on bike licensing, the fees would need to be high and "may be considered exorbitant for many of the city's residents" — in some cases more expensive than the bike itself. There, as elsewhere, the idea was abandoned.

Thankfully, cities today are focused on removing barriers to cycling rather than pointlessly erecting new ones.

Jeremy Klaszus is a freelance journalist and stay-at-home-dad. He tweets @klazsus.

ROSEMARY WESTWOOD
metroview

A nice, well-done, meaningful funeral is tremendously healing

"I often go out of respect," my mum says.

I've just called her on Skype, after going to the funeral of my boss's dad, a man I didn't know. My parents go to acquaintances' funerals a lot, seemingly out of a sense of community, so maybe I get it from them. But not too many other colleagues were there, and it made me wonder about that — about why we go, or don't go, to funerals.

I tell her the respect thing makes sense to me.

"It's so easy not to take the time, to say, 'Oh, my day's too busy, I don't want to do that. Oh, I've got to change out of my stinky dog-walking clothes,'" mum says. "It's taking the time. And I think that it's a recognition of God, really. He created us. Everything comes from Him. I want to be able to go, and show appreciation."

Life is just one step on the way to your eternal home, she says. "So I think it's very positive to acknowledge their work on earth is done. How wonderful is that?"

"It's just sad for the family and friends that are left behind," she adds, then she drifts out of the Skype screen. "Hold on, I'm just giving the Steller's jays some nuts."

When she's back, I tell her funerals often make me feel good, in an odd way.

"A really nice, well-done, meaningful service is tremendously healing," she says. "Yes, you're sad that person is gone, but you leave with a sense of hope."

Every time I go to a funeral, I leave feeling like I've been directed towards things that matter again.

"Every time I go to a funeral, I leave feeling like I've been directed towards the things that matter again," I say.

"Mmm hmm."

"I originally said to someone that I feel like they're uplifting, and I think stand by that," I tell her, "because, funerals are always so full of love, I guess. People appreciating each other."

"Yes. And often time you're standing or sitting beside someone, you have no idea who they are, but you're there for the same reason. It's like going to the cenotaph, remembering and respecting the person's memory."

"Even if it wasn't someone you don't know. I didn't know my boss's dad."

Mum drifts away again, this time to let in the dog.

"It helps you centre your own life, your own mortality," she says when she reappears. "You never know — we're supposed to be joyful, we're supposed to be having fun — you never know when it's going to..."

"... to end."

"Mmm hmm."

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New insights into pedophilia

DOCUMENTARY

Czech film explores the role attitudes can play in treatment

Devon Scoble
For Metro | Canada

The phrase 'virtuous pedophile' may seem like an oxymoron, but it's the self-identifying term chosen by a group of men who have committed to never — ever — act on their sexual attraction to children.

According to Dr. James Cantor, senior scientist at Toronto's Centre for Addiction and Mental Health (CAMH) and associate professor of psychiatry at the University of Toronto, pedophilia is like a sexual orientation, inborn and immutable.

"One lesson is the distinction between child molesters, who are criminals that we have to deal with, and pedophiles who are just kind of born — through no fault of their own — with an attraction to children," says Cantor.

The film Daniel's World, which premieres in Canada this month, offers more insight from the perspective of the chaste pedophile. The documentary follows Daniel as he meets his sexologist and fellow pedophiles, seeking to understand and suppress his desires.

For Daniel, a young Czech writer grappling with his sexual identity, living an ethical life means forgoing erotic fulfilment and all hope of finding a suitable life partner.

"The most dangerous things are stereotypes," director Veronika Liskova tells Metro via Skype from the Jihlava International Documentary Film Festival. "I believe that if we know more about the real dangers, then our children can live their lives and we can better protect them."

For Cantor, that means Canada should follow Germany's lead and abolish therapists' mandatory reporting requirements so pedophiles can seek treatment without punishment.

"The only logical thing to do is to help these people live and work in society in a productive way. After 30 years of trying, writing them off as evil hasn't helped. If anything, it's made things worse," he says.

"Now instead of having pedophiles out in society and receiving whatever they need to take the edge off the problem and lead a law-abiding life — psychotherapy, sex drive medication, whatever it is — we have these pedophiles out in society completely unknown and completely unsupervised by anybody. It's absolutely ridiculous."

ANOTHER PERSPECTIVE

Story makes abuse survivor 'nervous'
Glori Meldrum is a sexual abuse survivor, and the founder of Little Warriors, a national charity committed to preventing and treating childhood sexual abuse.

"Everybody deserves to tell their story," she says, "but it also makes me a bit nervous. It's not like people monitor their every action — you can't prove they're not doing anything to kids. This film is like, 'He's got to live with all this stuff.' The other piece is people like me and the kids that we treat — you should see what we're living with."

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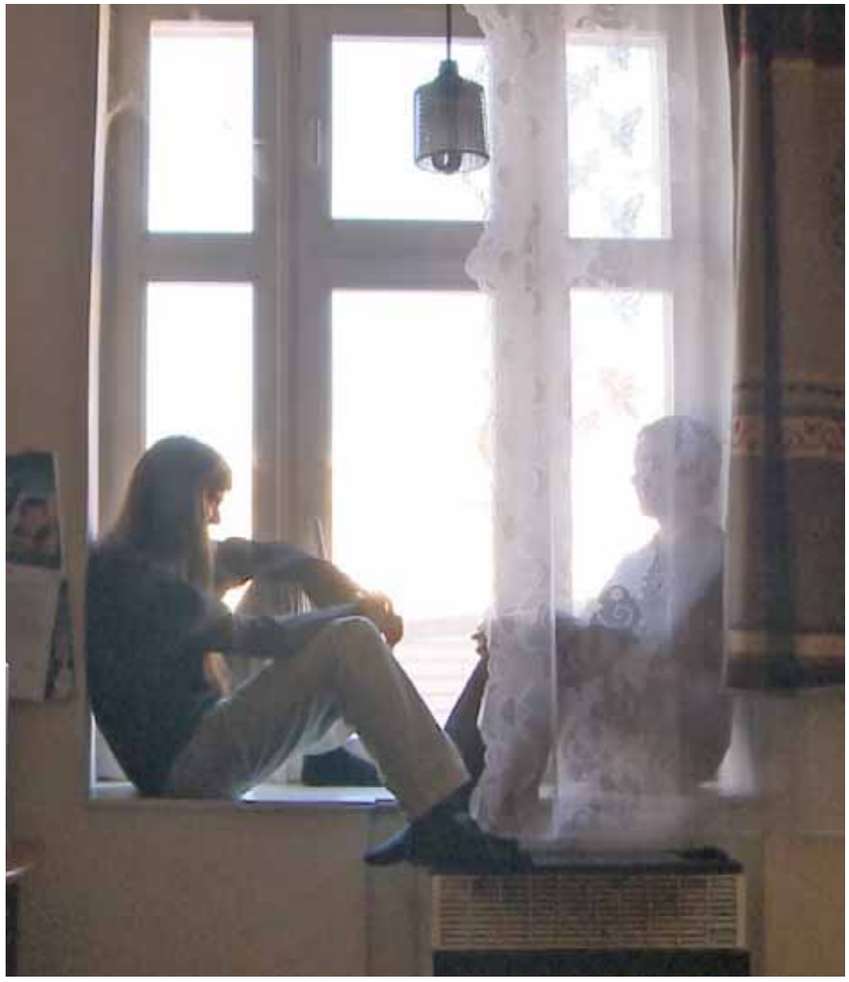
"Writing (pedophiles) off as evil hasn't helped. If anything, it's made things worse."
Dr. James Cantor, Toronto's Centre for Addiction and Mental Health (CAMH)



Daniel, left, and a fellow "chaste pedophile" in a scene from the Czech film Daniel's World. CONTRIBUTED

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Having a heart attack at 40 years old

CARDIOVASCULAR HEALTH

Know your risk and talk to your doctor, experts say

Huffing and puffing in a spin class last February, Elana Trainoff began wondering about the strange sensations she'd been experiencing for several days.

The Toronto resident was short of breath and felt like she had heartburn. She joked to a friend about having one of those "female" heart attacks you read about in women's magazines — the ones that last for days, as opposed to the Hollywood-style scene of a man falling to the floor, clutching his chest. But who has a heart attack at 40?

Trainoff brushed it off and went about her business. The next day — a Saturday — she went snowboarding and then headed to a party. She woke up at 4 a.m. with crushing chest pain.

The pain ebbed and flowed for an hour, but Trainoff soon realized something was seriously wrong.

Her partner at the time drove her to the nearest emergency department. Trainoff was hooked up to an electrocardiogram — a test that checks for problems with the electrical activity of your heart — and within minutes, doctors were rushing to save her life.

Trainoff was experiencing a STEMI, or ST-elevation myocardial infarction, a type of heart attack caused by a protracted blockage of blood supply in the heart. In Trainoff's case, that meant a full-blown, potentially deadly heart attack.

"Your life flashes before your eyes in a heartbeat when you think you have heartburn — and then suddenly you're not sure if you're dying," said the now 41-year-old film and television producer.

While Trainoff was caught off guard by her heart attack, she knew she had a degree of risk because of her family history. Her mother has had an angioplasty, three of her four grandparents suffered from heart disease, two of her cousins have undergone quadruple bypasses, and most members of her extended family have diabetes and take medication for high cholesterol and blood pressure.

At 40 years old, Elana Trainoff suffered a STEMI, or ST-elevation myocardial infarction. "Your life flashes before your eyes in a heartbeat," she says. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

"I knew that my genetics were working against me, but when you're younger you don't think it'll impact you for awhile," Trainoff says.

But she's not alone in underestimating the potential risks hidden in her genetic makeup.

A recent survey by the Heart and Stroke Foundation found 51 per cent of Canadians are aware they have a family history of heart disease or stroke — but a third haven't visited their doctor to talk about the risks.

It's a staggering number since more than 1.4 million Canadians have heart disease, which is also one of the leading causes of death in Canada, claiming more than 33 thousand lives every year.

Dr. Jacob Udell, a cardiologist at Women's College Hospital and the Peter Munk Cardiac Centre at Toronto General Hospital, says physicians generally don't consider younger patients at high enough risk to routinely screen for high blood pressure.

But, he says, "If those people had a family history we'd be taking that much more seriously."

The key is finding out what, if any, your genetic risk factors are — and bringing that up with your family doctor.

He also recommended using the Heart and Stroke Foundation's Risk Assessment, an online tool that, through a series of confidential questions, helps determine your risk for heart disease and stroke.

If you have a family history, your physician can recommend lifestyle changes and medications, Udell says.

Trainoff quit smoking and started exercising regularly, is eating a healthy, balanced diet and practicing meditation. She is also taking five different medications.

Her advice to others is to take genetic risk factors seriously and make changes early.

"It doesn't matter how old you are," Trainoff says. "I think there's a misconception that heart attacks only happen to old people — but they don't."

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Rose Reisman EAT THIS

You know you're going to eat fast, so next time choose this not that

THIS WEEK: Extreme Pita

Pitas are a fast food fave, with this traditional Mediterranean and Middle Eastern dish found in food courts just as often as burgers and subs. One assumes that it's always a healthier alternative, as we're loading them up with an endless mixture of veggies, protein and zesty sauces. Extreme Pita is a popular choice, and while there are many ways to keep your pita healthy and tasty, not all of these combinations are so nutritious!

PICK THIS

Thai Chicken Pita (regular)

Ingredients
Asian slaw, mushroom, red onion, romaine lettuce & Sweet Chili Thai sauce

Calories 410
Fat 5g
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SKIP THIS

Chicken Shawarma Pita (regular)

Ingredients
Tomatoes, pickles, tabouleh, hummus & garlic sauce

Calories 544
Fat 25g
Saturated fats 4g
Sodium 1611 mg

HERE'S WHY

As much fat as four quarter chickens from Swiss Chalet (skinless, white meat).

Shawarma traditionally consists of marinated strips of chicken, usually the thigh, that when shaved are doused with the fat from the meat. The meat is also heavily seasoned, which leads to high sodium levels. If that wasn't indulgent enough, slather your shawarma with hummus and oily garlic sauce and you've got as much fat as four quarter chickens from Swiss Chalet. Instead choose the Thai Chicken Pita, which is a 1/5 of the fat, with its lower fat dressing and array of veggies.

HEALTH

New diabetes test runs on saliva and a smartphone, scientists say

Researchers say a new diabetes test, which is not yet on the market, would be as easy to use as a pregnancy test. AFP

A few days ahead of World Diabetes Day (on Nov. 14), information has been revealed about a new device, currently in the development phase, which could improve early detection of the condition, particularly in disadvantaged communities.

This new device, which has been developed by a multidisciplinary team from the U.S. and Mexico, has been primarily designed to improve early detection in people on low incomes who do not always have access to health care. Scientists at Tec de Monterrey in Mexico, in partnership with colleagues at the University of Houston, say they have developed a device that is able to detect Type 2 diabetes in saliva (or another biological marker).

Avoiding the use of needles, this micro-cartridge that is adaptable to a smartphone tells the user whether they have type 2 diabetes in just a few seconds.

The result is positive if a compound present in saliva reacts by becoming fluorescent.

This is made possible by an enzymatic reaction and a technological process adapted to biochemistry.

"We wanted a device which could identify a biomarker in a sample of saliva, and it had to emit fluorescent light so that a phone camera could record it," explained the project coordinator, Dr Marco Antonio Rite Palomares.

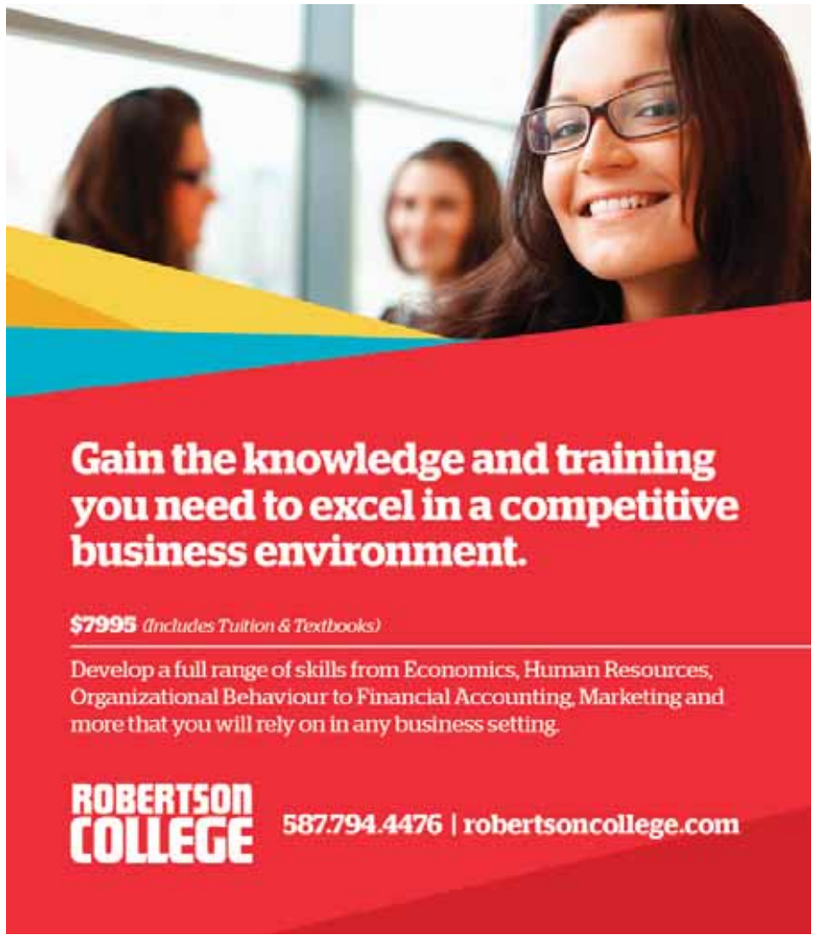
The device, which has proven to be "as simple as a pregnancy test," is primarily intended for low-income groups and is planned to be available within two years.

The team has completed the development phase, and hopes to soon move into mass production if the device is of interest to manufacturers.

Type 2 diabetes is a disorder which is characterized by difficulty in assimilating, using and storing sugar from food.

It affected 9 per cent of adults worldwide in 2014 and led to 1.5 million deaths in 2012 according to the World Health Organization. Over 80 per cent of these deaths occurred in low- and middle-income countries.

If a diagnosis is made several years after its emergence, Type 2 diabetes can damage the heart, kidneys, blood vessels, eyes and nerves. AFP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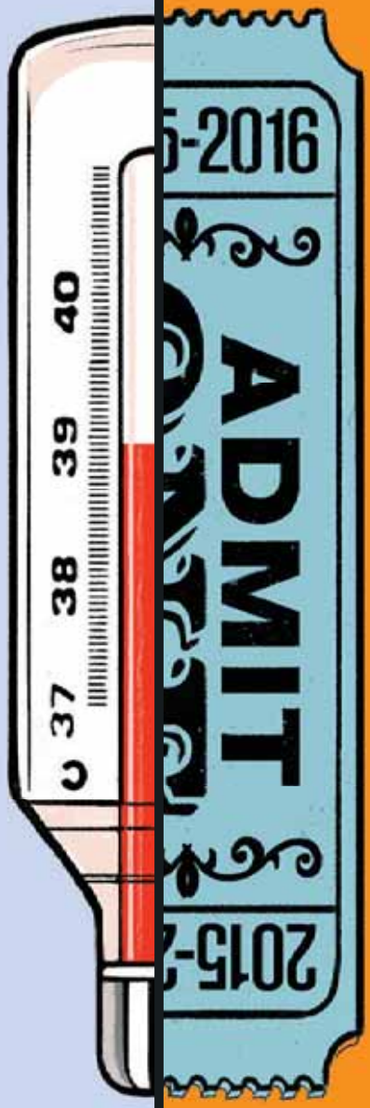

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PROJECT RUNWAY

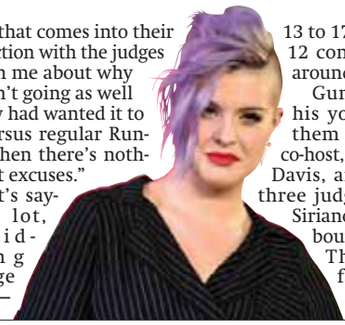
Junior franchise highlights talent and maturity of teen designers

Tim Gunn said he was apprehensive about participating in a bite-size version of Project Runway featuring teen designers.

"I thought," he recalled in a recent interview, "will I have to soft-pedal my critiques? Is it all going to be watered down? Are they going to be emotional wrecks and very fragile?"

Gunn was pleasantly surprised by the freshman class on Project Runway Junior, which premieres Thursday at 9 p.m. EST on Lifetime. The mentor, former educator at the Parsons design school and adult wrangler on the long-running Project Runway called the new show's young contestants lovable, sweet to each other and respectful of the process swirling around them.

"Compared to the designers on a regular season of Runway, these teens... accept responsibility for their actions," Gunn said. "There's never any factor that comes into their interaction with the judges or with me about why this isn't going as well as they had wanted it to go, versus regular Runway when there's nothing but excuses."



That's saying a lot, considering the age range — 13 to 17 — among the 12 contestants from around the country.

Gunn saw bits of his younger self in them all, as did his co-host, model Hannah Davis, and two of the three judges, Christian Siriano and Kelly Osbourne. Aya Kanai. The executive fashion editor at Cosmopolitan and Seventeen magazines, rounds out the judges' crew.

"It's almost cooler working with kids than adults because they were figuring it all out along the way," Davis said.

"These young people... are all loners. There's no one like them who comes home from school and plays with a sewing machine," Osbourne said. "They've been put in a room of their peers, with kids just like them, for the first time in their life."

Siriano added: "We were told to give them real criticism like they would get if they were presenting to an editor or to anyone else in the industry."

The Dec. 10 episode will feature a video appearance by first lady Michelle Obama to announce a challenge supporting education for girls.

Bella Thorne is a guest judge for the final challenge.

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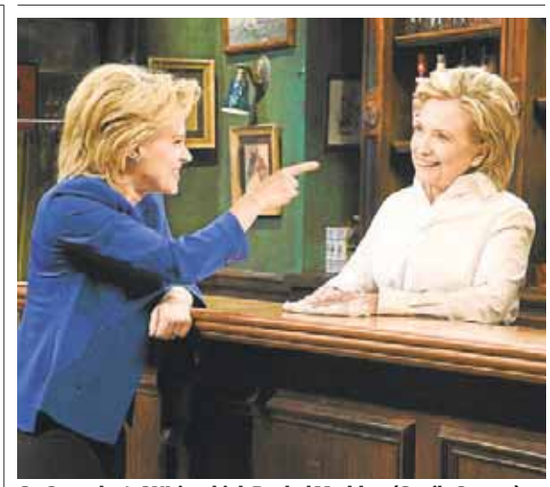

On Saturday's SNL in which Rachel Maddow (Cecily Strong) interviews Hillary Clinton (Kate McKinnon). NBC/SCREENSHOT

JOHANNA SCHNELLER WHAT I'M WATCHING

Hillary-ous SNL impersonations

SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE, NOV. 7 (GLOBAL/NBC)

Hillary Clinton (Kate McKinnon), in a pantsuit and helmet hair, charges in for an interview with Rachel Maddow (Cecily Strong).

"Excuse me while I try to sit casually in this chair," McKinnon says, contorting herself into a tortured "relaxed" pose. Strong asks her, "Introvert or extrovert?" and McKinnon replies, "I'm an extrovert because I love meeting people, and connecting with them, and smiling with them. But I'm an introvert because no, I don't."

McKinnon's Clinton is the best thing about SNL this season. Not because she's an uncanny physical match, the way Tina Fey was for Sarah Palin, but because she has spotted, and plays up, something uncomfortable in Clinton's manner: her desperate desire to appear chill yet in control. McKinnon does that by contrasting a big, forced laugh with crazy/glittering/determined eyes; her Hillary is always an inch away from veering off the rails.

The great SNL political impressions are always about distilling a person to his/her essence: Dana Carvey nailed George H. W. Bush's faux-toughness in the phrase, "Nah gon dewit." Will Ferrell captured George W. Bush's blank-eyed terror. Fey conveyed Palin's utterly unearned self-confidence. When Amy Poehler was doing Clinton (back when she was competing against Obama), Poehler zeroed in on her barely concealed outrage that she wasn't taken seriously.

Clinton, very consciously, has changed her manner for this election, and it's that self-consciousness, that determination to do it better — albeit through gritted teeth — that McKinnon is mining so well. I'm looking forward to a long campaign.

Johanna Schneller is a media connoisseur who zeroes in on pop-culture moments. She appears Monday through Thursday.

5 ADVENT CALENDARS FOR THE DECEMBER COUNTDOWN

Ah, the advent calendar. This Christian tradition for counting down the days until Christmas is now more of a secular pursuit, aimed to increase the anticipation for Dec. 25. And it's moved beyond flimsy cutout doors revealing cardboard tasting chocolates. This year's lineup of treats gets a little more sophisticated — from Star Wars Lego to high-end whisky. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE/METRO

1 The Whisky Advent Calendar

What better way to get ready for multiple familial engagements than by taking a daily shot of whisky? As you count down to Dec. 25, you'll encounter a rare 50-year-old Scotch, an award-winning Japanese whisky and the World's Best Blended Whisky. Some of these samples are worth over $700 a bottle! **Price:** $250. **Available at:** masterofmalt.com

2 Lego Star Wars

Let the Force be with you this holiday season. Behind each door are Lego pieces such as the Millennium Falcon, an A-wing Starfighter, and C3PO decked out as Santa. **Price:** $49.95 **Available at:** Lego retail stores and major toy stores.

3 David's Tea 24 Days of Tea

If curling up with a cup of tea is the ideal winter activity, this will warm the heart. Each of the 24 drawers features a tin of David's Tea classic and festive flavours, including mulled wine, gingerbread cookie and banana nut bread. Available in stores and online. Allow three to four business days for delivery. **Price:** $40 **Available at:** davidstea.com

4 Ciaté London Mini Mani Month

Sure, no one has time to change their nail polish every day, but you could with this 24-piece set of nail goodies from Ciaté London. This calendar features miniature nail polish in a variety of shades and glittery finishes, a nail file and other treatments. Allow one to two weeks for delivery of online orders. **Price:** $71 **Available at:** sephora.com

5 Short Story

Voracious readers will love this collection of two dozen short stories from writers across North America, including Pasha Malla, Jess Walter, Richard Van Camp and Heather O'Neill. Each chapbook is sealed, so every story is a surprise. Orders accepted until Nov. 13. **Price:** $50 **Available at:** shortstoryadvent calendar.com

Denver Broncos' Aqib Talib banned for one game for poking Colts' Dwayne Allen in the eye during Sunday's NFL game

Russia accused of covering up widespread doping

TRACK AND FIELD

WADA findings could result in Olympic ban for sports giant

Russia's status as a sports superpower and its participation in track and field events at next year's Olympics came under threat Monday after a report accused the Russians of widespread, state-supported doping reminiscent of the darkest days of cheating by the former East Germany.

The findings by a commission set up by the World Anti-Doping Agency were far more damaging than expected. It means that two of the world's most popular sports — soccer and track and field — are now mired in scandals that could destroy their reputations. The WADA investigation's findings that Russian government officials must have known about doping and coverups, with even its intelligence service, the FSB, allegedly involved, threatened to severely tarnish President Vladimir Putin's use of sports to improve his country's global standing.

Russia hosted the last Winter Olympics in Sochi in 2014 and will hold the next World Cup in 2018. "It's worse than we thought," said Dick Pound, an International Olympic Committee veteran who chaired the WADA probe. "It may be a residue of the old Soviet Union system."

Canadian Dick Pound, chairman of WADA's Independent Commission, presents the findings of his Commission's Report surrounding allegations of doping in sport on Monday.
SALVATORE DI NOLFI/KEYSTONE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The 323-page report said that in Russia, "acceptance of cheating at all levels is widespread." Among its findings:

- Moscow testing laboratory director Grigory Rodchenkov ordered the "intentional and malicious destruction" of 1,417 doping control samples to deny evidence for the investigation.
- FSB agents regularly visited the lab, routinely questioned its staff and told some of them not to co-operate with WADA as part of "direct intimidation and interference by the Russian state" with the lab's work.
- FSB agents even infiltrated Russia's anti-doping work at the Sochi Olympics. One witness told the inquiry that "in Sochi, we had some guys pretending to be engineers in the lab, but actually they were from the Federal Security Service."
- "Widespread inaction" by track and field's governing body, the International Association of Athletics Federations, and Russian authorities allowed athletes suspected of doping to continue competing.

The WADA commission recommended that WADA declare the Russian athletics federation "noncompliant" with the global anti-doping code, and that the IAAF suspend the federation from competition.

The IAAF responded by saying it will consider sanctions against Russia, including a possible suspension that would ban Russian track and field athletes from international competition, including the Summer Olympics in Rio de Janeiro. IAAF President Sebastian Coe gave the Russian federation until the end of the week to respond.

"If they are suspended — and it sounds like the IAAF is moving in that direction already — and they are still suspended, at the time of Rio, there will be no Russian track and field athletes there," Pound said.

He added that Russia's doping could be called state-sponsored. "They would certainly have known," Pound said."

Russian Sports Minister Vitaly Mutko, whose ministry was accused by the WADA probe of giving orders to tamper with anti-doping tests, insisted Russia's problems are no worse than in other countries. Russia is being persecuted, he said, telling Interfax: "Whatever we do, everything is bad."

He threatened to cut all government funding for anti-doping work, saying "if we have to close this whole system, we would be happy to" because "we will only save money."

Mutko denied any wrongdoing to the WADA panel, including knowledge of athletes being blackmailed and FSB interference. Pound said Mutko must have known.

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CANADA'S REACTION

Drug cheats robbed runner Stellingwerff of final place

It was a moment stolen from Hilary Stellingwerff. The Canadian missed qualifying for the women's 1,500-metre final at the 2012 London Olympics by just one spot — a final that, as it turns out, was full of drug cheats.

Since those Games, three of the finalists — including the gold medallist — have been disqualified for doping infractions. And Russia's fourth-place finisher Tatyana Tomashova had already served a doping suspension.

And while the World Anti-Doping Association's report Monday of doping and coverups is another black mark on the sport, Athletics Canada's head coach Peter Eriksson said it's good news for Canada. "Because we're not a country that cheats, we're a country that can stand up through all of this fog and say 'Look at us, we're a clean country, we're doing X, Y and Z,"' Eriksson said.

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MLB

Donaldson voted top player by his peers

Toronto Blue Jays third baseman Josh Donaldson was voted major league player of the year and AL outstanding player in the annual Players Choice Awards, and Washington slugger Bryce Harper was picked as the NL outstanding player.

Baltimore outfielder Adam Jones won the Marvin Miller man of the year award, given to a player who most inspires others through his efforts on and off the field. Jones hosted a clinic for inner city youth after unrest in Baltimore this year and assists the James Mosher Little League, the YMCA of Central Maryland, the Boys and Girls Club of Baltimore and Reviving Baseball in the Inner Cities.

Josh Donaldson
GETTY IMAGES

Houston ace Dallas Keuchel was voted the AL's outstanding pitcher, and Los Angeles Dodgers right-hander Zack Greinke the NL's outstanding pitcher. Astros shortstop Carlos Correa and Chicago Cubs third baseman Kris Bryant were the top rookies, while Texas slugger Prince Fielder and New York Mets pitcher Matt Harvey were the top comeback players.

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Stamps take on Lions on road to Cup repeat

CFL SEMIFINALS PREVIEW

Ray is back for T.O., Hamilton without hurt QB Collaros

The Calgary Stampeders begin their Grey Cup title defence this Sunday, hosting the B.C. Lions in the CFL West Division semifinal. The Stamps won both meetings between the teams this year, including a 28-7 decision at B.C. Place Stadium last weekend.

Backup Drew Tate threw two TD passes while Anthony Parker had four catches for 122 yards and a touchdown. Rookie Lemar Durant had three catches for 45 yards but two were for TDs.

B.C. also rested some of its starters, including quarterback Jonathon Jennings as veteran Travis Lulay drew his first start since Sept. 3. Running back Andrew Harris, a Winnipeg native, had only eight carries for 42 yards but cracked the 1,000-yard plateau for the second time.

Calgary's Eric Rogers led all receivers this year with 1,448 yards on 87 catches, 10 for touchdowns. And once again, a B.C. Lion led the CFL in tackles. Adam Bighill registered 117 after teammate Solomon Elimimian had a record 143 last season in becoming the first pure defensive player to claim league MVP honours.

In the East Division, Toronto visits the Hamilton Tiger-Cats on Sunday, with the winner facing the Ottawa Redblacks in the conference final at TD Place on Nov. 22.

Hamilton was just 5-4 at home this year. The Ticats opened with three consecutive wins at Tim Hortons Field to improve to 10-0 there before losing 26-23 to Montreal on Aug. 27.

Since then, Hamilton has gone 2-4 at the facility but is 3-0 there all-time versus Toronto. The Ticats have been especially dominant this year, outscoring the Argos 76-30 in their two home victories against their arch rivals.

Toronto was also 0-2 in relocated games at Tim Hortons Field this year. Overall, the Argos are 0-5 there and have been outscored 150-59.

But the Argos do have some reasons for optimism.

They head into the playoffs on a positive note, snapping a three-game losing streak Friday with a 21-11 home win over Winnipeg in their final game at Rogers Centre. Veteran Ricky Ray looked sharp in just his second start of the season and the three-time Grey Cup winner will be under centre Sunday.

Also, Toronto won't have to face quarterback Zach Collaros. Collaros led the Tiger-Cats to all of their home wins against his former team but is recovering from season-ending knee surgery.

Hamilton is coming off two straight losses to Ottawa, including a 44-28 decision at TD Place on Saturday. Redblacks quarterback Henry Burris completed 28 of 37 passes for 368 yards and six touchdowns.

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Calgary QB Drew Tate
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UPCOMING

SUNDAY
East semi-final:
Toronto at Hamilton, TBD
West semi-final:
B.C. at Calgary, 4:30 p.m.

NHL ONLY GAME IN TOWN Arizona Coyotes' Mikkel Boedker, left, is defended by Anaheim Ducks' Jakob Silfverberg during NHL action Monday in Anaheim. It was the only game played in the league Monday night, as most eyes were on the Hockey Hall of Fame inductions in Toronto. For game result, go to metronews.ca. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS/JAE C. HONG

NBA

Bulls steamroll past woebegone 76ers

Jimmy Butler stuck a Sharpie inside a media scrum, using the marker as an imaginary recorder to pick up sound bites nearby from teammate Doug McDermott.

Butler could have used the Sharpie to mark a W on the schedule before the opening tip.

Playing the winless 76ers is about as automatic a win as a team gets these days — this decade, really — in the NBA.

Nikola Mirotic had 20 points and 10 rebounds and Pau Gasol scored 16 points to lead the Chicago Bulls past Philadelphia, 111-88 on Monday night.

The Bulls played without Joakim Noah and still cruised to a 15-point lead in the first quarter that they eventually stretched to 26. McDermott scored 18 points, Derrick Rose had 12 and the Bulls looked like title contenders against the woebegone Sixers.

MONDAY in Philadelphia

BULLS	76ERS
111	88

"We needed something like this," McDermott said. "We've had a couple of good practices but it's good to play against someone else."

The Bulls might have had tougher competition in an intrasquad scrimmage.

Philadelphia (0-7) has lost 17 straight games dating to March 27, 2015. That matches the fourth-longest mark in franchise history, and three of those lengthy losing streaks have come since the start of the 2013-14 season.

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NHL

League GMs meeting to review rule changes

NHL general managers are expected to review rule changes and discuss the controversial coach and executive compensation policy at their annual November meeting on Tuesday.

For the first time, the league has three-on-three play in overtime and coach's challenges for goaltender interference and offside plays. Deputy commissioner Bill Daly doesn't expect any potential changes to those rules to take place right away.

"These rules are the way they're going to be at least for the balance of the season," Daly said Monday.

"I don't think there's been any unintended consequences for the rules. And I think they've operated as we've expected they'd operate."

A year ago at this meeting, GMs got rid of the dry scrape of the ice surface before overtime, which was designed to create more offence in overtime and cut down on shootouts. As Ken Holland of the Detroit Red Wings put it, the dry scrape turned out to be a "buzz kill" that stopped the momentum of games, so it was removed almost immediately.

One area of debate is whether referees and linesmen should decide coach's challenges in consultation with the situation room in Toronto or whether the league should have that power as it does on the puck crossing the goal line. Currently, officials watch replays on a tablet device at the penalty box.

In the first 214 games of the season, coaches challenged 32 plays. Seven of 23 goaltender interference challenges overturned the call on the ice, while four of nine offside challenges overturned the call on the ice.

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NHL Deputy Commissioner Bill Daly
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JUNIOR HOCKEY

Fired Flint Firebirds' coaches reinstated after owner admits 'mistake'

The owner of the Flint Firebirds junior hockey team has apologized for firing his coaching staff over the weekend, saying he made an "irresponsible mistake."

Rolf Nilsen says in a statement that the team took immediate steps today to reinstate the coaches after every member of the team handed in his jersey and quit in protest on Sunday.

According to multiple reports, Nilsen fired head coach John Gruden and assistants Dave Karpa and Petr Jonak because his son — defenceman Hakon Nilsen — was not receiving enough playing time. Ontario Hockey League commissioner David Branch travelled to Flint today to meet with all parties. Nilsen says the team is fully co-operating with the league.

The Firebirds moved to Flint this season after an 18-year run in nearby Plymouth, Mich.

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RECIPE Lemon Thyme Spatchcock Chicken

PHOTO: MAYA VISNYEI

Ceri Marsh & Laura Keogh
For Metro Canada

Spatchcock is a butchering method that removes the backbone so the bird can be flattened; allowing for a more even roasting and, the best part, less cook time. A butcher can remove the bone or try one of the great online videos demonstrating this easy method.

Ready in
Prep time: 15 minutes
Cook time: 40 minutes
Serves 6

Ingredients
- 1 spatchcock Chicken
- 1/4 cup extra virgin olive oil
- Juice of one lemon
- 1 Tbsp dried thyme
- 1 tsp oregano
- Salt and pepper
- 1 lb new potatoes, halved
- 1 bulb of garlic, cloves peeled
- 1 Tbsp olive oil

Directions

1. Preheat oven to 425 F.

2. In a small bowl, whisk olive oil, lemon juice, thyme and oregano. Place chicken breast side up on a large roasting pan and brush herb mixture over the entire surface of the chicken. Season with 1 Tbsp salt and 1/2 tsp pepper.

3. Meanwhile, in a large bowl, toss potatoes, garlic cloves, oil and 1/2 tsp salt. Scatter the potatoes and garlic around the body of the chicken in a single layer.

4. Roast in the oven for 40 to 45 minutes, or until a thermometer inserted into the thickest portion of the breast reaches 165 F. Remove chicken from oven and let rest for 10 minutes. Carve and serve with potatoes and a salad.

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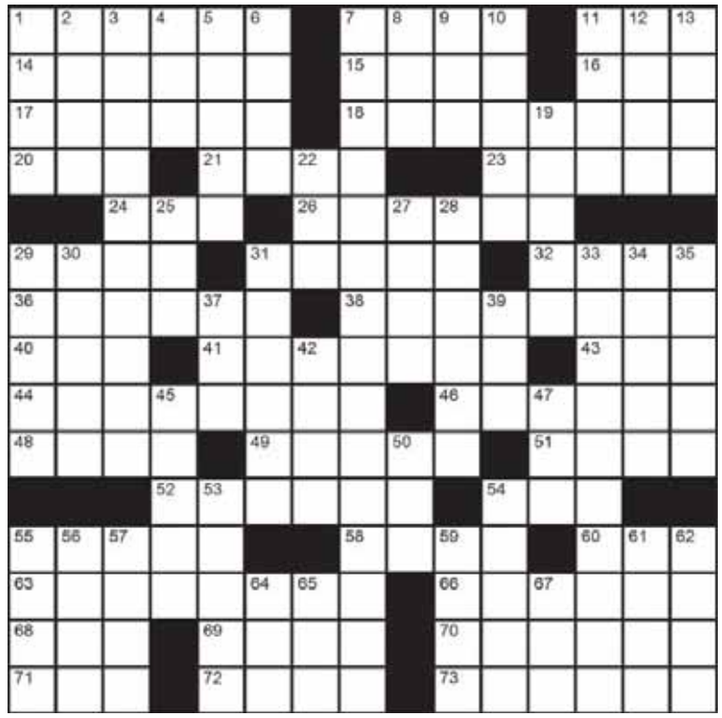

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24. Real estate abbreviation
26. Atomic Number 56
29. Batman's butler's namesakes, shortened
31. __ mignon (Steakhouse order)
32. Drop
36. Winnipeg-born actress Ms. Durbin
38. Cape Breton Island: 'Gateway to the Highlands' area on the Cabot Trail
40. Feel yucky
41. In ancient Greek mythology, hunter who got turned into a hunted-by-hounds stag
43. Feminine pronoun
44. Magician's creation
46. Scottish recording artist Sheena
48. Carpentry tool
49. Comic actor Mr. Johnson's
51. River islets
52. Recently: 2 wds.
54. Corporate executives, e.g.
55. The Great Wall of __
58. Prefix meaning 'Wine'
60. Visited
63. Shaw media specialty channel that airs classic TV shows
66. "Let's Wait __" by Janet Jackson
68. Twi'__ (Humanoid species in the 'Star Wars' universe)
69. 'Persist' suffix
70. Like a leaf or marble
71. Chicago's li'l state
72. Hershey's chocolate/toffee bar
73. "C'mon Everybody" rocker Mr. Cochran's

DOWN
1. Fathers, to kids
2. Brain wave
3. Hamilton = City of __
4. "The __ of Adaline" (2015)
5. Phrasings in jazz improv
6. Shred
7. Free-standing telecommunications structure in Moncton: 3 wds.
8. "__ & Abby" (2006) starring Chris Messina
9. Segment [abbr.]
10. Confusion-causing mess
11. Ship
12. Highest point
13. Spaces
19. Clunky car
22. MLB statistic
25. Butterfly logo co.
27. __-Levesque (Boulevard in Montreal)
28. "__ __ without saying..."
29. Soaps actress Deborah
30. Priestess in Georges Bizet opera The Pearl Fishers
31. Spa treatment
33. Cree Nation in Quebec which is home to the province's largest freshwater lake
34. "The Kid __ __ Tonite" by Loverboy
35. And so, plurally
37. 'Street's Disciple' rapper
39. __ _ whim
42. Afghanistan's __ Bora
45. Once __ _ time
47. Tree's treat
50. Shoe width
53. Most liked things, fun-style
54. Pledged
55. Nero's 451
56. Scoundrel
57. Alphabetic quartet
59. Place for pews
61. Sailor's sheltered side
62. Ties the knot
64. Pen's blue stuff
65. Green
67. Concealed

IT'S ALL IN THE STARS by Sally Brompton

Aries March 21 - April 20
You may be tempted to kick up a fuss because someone has let you down. Is it worth the effort? Life is an ordeal only if you make it one.

Taurus April 21 - May 21
It is easy to point out the flaws in another person's belief system but does it make a difference? Probably not. Some people can be incredibly stubborn (look in the mirror!) so don't waste time or energy on them.

Gemini May 22 - June 21
You may be tempted to play things by ear today but the planets warn you are likely to regret it. You will do best if you have a specific aim and a workable plan that will get you from A to B by the shortest route.

Cancer June 22 - July 23
Do you tell a friend what they want to hear or what they need to hear? It's best to get bad news over with quickly. Don't worry too much about their feelings — they'll get over it.

Leo July 24 - Aug. 23
Try so hard to make a good impression and you could end up turning people against you. Don't pretend to be someone you are not because others will see through your act.

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
You don't have to try too hard but you do have to make some sort of an effort. Where money is concerned you should check each and every detail twice, because errors could have costly consequences.

Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
Your confidence may be high these days but don't take things for granted. It's a great time to make plans but remember to be flexible — even the best laid plans can change at the last moment.

Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
Don't trust the person who tries to convince you that you owe them in some way. You feel good about life but that does not mean you have to give what you own away.

Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
There are things going on behind the scenes that you won't know about until later in the month. You are still moving in the right direction, so take life as it comes.

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
The more people say you should trust them the more you should be on guard. It is unlikely they are deliberately trying to mislead you but they themselves may have been misled.

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
Lady Luck will come knocking and you should grab what she has to offer with both hands. You may be tempted to wait for a better deal but what if it doesn't come?

Pisces Feb. 20 - March 20
The more time and energy you have put into something the more reluctant you will be to give up on it but the break needs to be made. Clear a space in your life and something better will come to fill it.

CONCEPTIS SUDOKU by Dave Green

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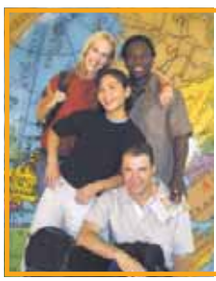

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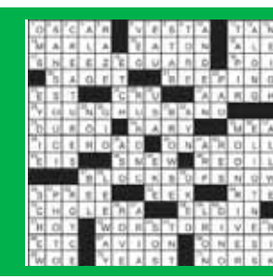

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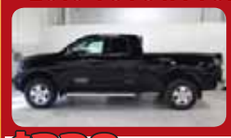

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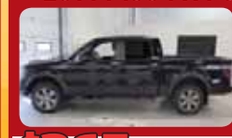

10084A • 47,300 km. This monster Ford F-150 FX4 is loaded with black leather seats, Flex Fuel 5.0 L engine, keyless entry, Ford Sync, Navigation, trailer sway control and more.

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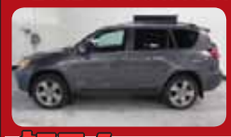

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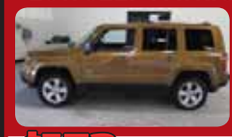

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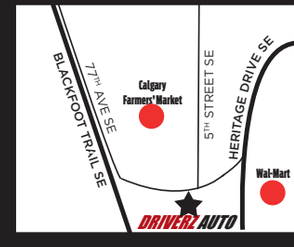

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